

ASH FORK DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.



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# AFDA NEWSLETTER

#### ASH FORK WATER SERVICE

From the Water Desk by: Lewis Hume, Water Manager



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#### Water News

Storge Tanks Inspection Completed

Ash Fork Water Service personnel completed periodic cleanout/inspection of its 2-500,000-gallon storage tanks this month. It had been 4-years since the last clean-out had been performed. Tanks were found to have a light amount of sediment lying in the bottom but allin-all they were very clean, with a tight coating. The float (level gauge) was replaced on tank #2.

The sediment was flushed into the drain,

pictures were taken, disinfecting solution was sprayed to the lower level and bottom. Tanks were partially filled, sampled and tested (at lab), placed back into service. It is normal for the tanks to then be overflown, once, as a further cleaning procedure.

Relating this to all our customers who live the country life, complete with hauling water, you have a personal water system to maintain. If your uncertain of the condition of your storage tank and want to improve the environment your water is moving around or being stored in, maybe a cleanout/disinfection of your storage tank/system at home (maybe your water wagon also), would be a great place to start.

If you would like to talk about this process, or if you would like help with proper CL2 disinfecting levels come by the water office and talk with Joe or Lewis.

#### **Ice Machine Coming**

The permit has been issued, footings have been poured and supplies have been procured. We even have the Ice machine in possession. Just as soon as we get a couple good days of weather, I look to have the cover up and Ice machine cooling-off readying for production.

This is a self-vend Ice machine. 10-lbs for \$2.00 a bag. The plan is to run water through our filtered water machine filters and use this filtered water to supply the ice machine.

With this filtered water supply and the Hoshizaki ice maker, this is looking to be a premium ICE product.

I look forward to trying it out!

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#### **Facebook Efforts**

Ash Fork Development Association and Ash Fork Water Service are very happy with its new efforts to post meeting agendas, Newsletter and other important community information onto the Face Book pages. By getting our meeting information out more effectively we hope to build more interest in our organization and its events. More interest could in turn lead to more volunteers or possibly to a new board member.

A group working together for its community improvement, is a tremendous asset. Join in!

#### **THANKYOU**

SPECTRUM HEALTHCARE FOR BRINGING THE VACCINE CLINIC TO ASH FORK ON APRIL 14TH

NEXT DATE FOR SECOND SHOT IS MAY 12TH FROM 10 AM TO 2 PM

# ASH FORK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SPRING TURKEY SHOOT

SUNDAY, MAY 2

10:00 AM UNTIL DARK

COME JOIN US AT COUNTY LINE PIT EXIT 148 N. ½ MILE

CLOSEST TO THE BULL'S EYE WINS THE TURKEY. \$2.00 A SHOT.

SHOOTS AVAILABLE: 100 YD. Bench
Off Hand
Pistol
Kids Shoot 1 P.M.

FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE BURRITOS AND SODA POP

GREAT FUN AND GREAT FOOD



**INTERSTATE 40...ADOT** advises drivers to plan ahead for lane restrictions on Interstate 40 at the Pineveta Draw A 14-foot vehicle-width restriction will be in place. The Bridge west of Ash Fork beginning Monday, April 12. Mo- speed limit will be reduced to 55 mph. torists should allow extra travel time, be prepared to slow down and use caution around construction personnel and The restrictions are needed for crews to complete replaceequipment while the following restrictions are in place.

East- and westbound I-40 will be narrowed to one lane in extra travel time for delays. each direction between mileposts 138 and 139 beginning Monday, April 12, until Friday, Oct. 15.

ment of the Pineveta Draw Bridge decks and install erosion -control measures. Drivers should use caution and allow

#### The Bailey Boutique By Fayrene Hume

A new business by 8-year old Bailey Iverson

Bailey designs real potted plant arrangements in beautiful pots. Her designs are a real asset for business offices, counters and/or table entrances.

She rotates the plants every two weeks so you can show off different plants and pots. Her fee is minimal. All profits go to helping families with food who may be struggling during these times.

Her first two clients are Alchemy Apothecary, here in Ash Fork and Seligman Library. If you are interested check out her business by calling (928) 821-1897. She will be happy to bring her products to you so you can pick the one that goes with your décor.

Baily does on-line schooling. Her father, Mr. Iverson taught school in Ash Fork some year back. He also accompanies her to her clients.



Ash Fork Development Association—Next General Meeting—May 19, 2021 @7:00 PM—Escalante Room Expected guest are: ADOT District Engineer Alvin Stump along with Deborah Miller.

Janet Dean, Community Affairs Manager/APS and Brenda Carter, Operations and Maintenance Supervisor. It has been forbidden for them meeting in groups this past year due to the pandemic. However, some have been faithful on attending our meetings via Zoom. AFDA greatly appreciated contact information from APS, Yavapai County District 4 Supervisor's office, and Yavapai County Sheriff's Office personnel Lt. Tom Boelts. We welcome them all back in person as we hopefully move out of the pandemic.



#### Paulden Community Cleanup...

Yavapai County's Paulden Transfer Station, 23750 N. Marblehead Ave., will handle the event. The **FREE** cleanup is open only to Yavapai

County residents from 8 am to 4 pm May,1,6-8 and 13-15. Paulden Transfer Station will remain open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays with its normal hours and fees.

Accepted items for the cleanup include household appliances, bagged household trash, automotive batteries, unmounted tires, furniture and yard trimmings.

The County will not accept loose trash, liquids, hazardous materials, cars, nickel cadmium batteries and dead animals.



ENTER HERE

**FREE** Slash drop-off at Yavapai County Transfer Stations in Seligman and Paulden, the closest to Ash Fork, from April 1st to June 1st. What does this mean? Any yard trimmings and tree limbs. No household trash.

If you have been waiting to clean up and beautify your property, now's the time. Perhaps lend a hand to your neighbor who may be unable to get rid of the debris that has been accumulating. This is called being a good neighbor and caring for your community too.

#### Ash Fork RockHound Softball



e were very excited to have a 2021 softball season for these young athletes. We have 13 girls on the team including 2 girls who travel from Seligman to play with Ash Fork. We started the season with one week of practice, beautiful team photos, and the doubleheader win. During this doubleheader, Ash Fork played both Williams teams. Aura and Eva made great duo as pitcher and catcher to get the 9-8 win in the first game. Gracie and Crystal also made a great duo as pitcher and catcher to get the 10-9 win in the second game. It's great to see the support and participation of everyone involved in the league. We would like to thank the community, parents, athletes, coaches, umpires, and all the behind the scene people that make this year possible. We look forward to the rest of the season.

#### Ash Fork Middle School Volleyball 2021

This season has been rewarding for both the coaches and athletes. There were enough athletes to create three teams this year. The season started right after spring-break and was over 5 weeks later. During that time, the Lady Spartans were committed to the sport. None of the students were ever on grade check and attended all practices. The I-40 A-team tournament was held in Seligman this year. Our A-team went three games with Parks in the championship match. Ash Fork A-team took 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Jordyn and Andrea are the teams' defensive players. Aspen and Jamie play the opposite hitting position for the Lady Spartans. The A-team is led by outside hitters Eva and Gracie, setter Isabella, and defensive player Aura.

The B-team I-40 tournament was held in Parks this year. Our B-team went three games with Williams in the Championship match. The Lady Spartans took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the tournament. The B-team was undefeated all season long. They are led by the setters Arlette and Crystal. Our C-team also competed in this tournament and places 3<sup>rd</sup> place against all odds.

We would like to wish the 8<sup>th</sup> graders success in high school: Aspen, Jamie, Heaven, Lesly, Jessie, Andrea, Reese, and Paula. We thank you for your dedication and look forward to coaching you in high school.

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It is with open hearts (and strong backs) that we dedicate ourselves each and every day to the Community of Ash Fork. We kind of hope you don't see the hard work that goes on behind the scenes; as that may actually be a sign that we are doing it right.

We have several exciting things going on. One is we are preparing for a **software upgrade** which will bring lots of improvements to our workflows. This may require a handful of days in the coming months where we block the calendar for staff training. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause our patients. We will post on our website and social media which days we will not be available for patient appointments.

Currently we are open for appointments Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Tuesdays and Fridays, we are open from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm for patient appointments, then closed for administrative time. We are available at the clinic during these hours for phone messages and prescription pick-ups.

Another exciting development is **the re-expansion of our Alchemy Team.** Please welcome Briana, we think you will enjoy working with her. We believe her experience and friendly personality will be a great addition to the clinic.

#### **Update on Vaccination programs:**

Covid 19 Shots: The State of Arizona has approved our registration. They say it will take some time to get Covid-19 vaccinations out to clinics and healthcare providers. We want to be patient with the system, but we are also eager to provide this option to those who choose it. For now, the best way to get your shot (s) is through the county and pharmacy websites by appointment. We do not have a time frame yet as to when those shots will be available or delivered to the clinic. We will keep you posted as we learn more. State registration approval also means that our Vaccines for Children program will also be coming soon. The same applies though, when we have a time frame for vaccine availability, we will let you know.

You may have met one of our volunteers recently. Margaret has been a huge help as we transition to new staff. Volunteers are a great way to support healthcare, as they greet patients and assist with simple tasks around the office, while reducing the cost of healthcare delivery. Volunteers are commonplace in healthcare, and valuable members of the healthcare team. If you step into a hospital (during non-pandemic times) you might see them everywhere. It is the humanitarian compassion of folks like veterans and retirees that help ensure patients get the great service they need when they need it and help reduce the high costs of providing care. We are likely to use volunteers as needed.

Thank you for allowing us to serve you. We look forward to a long and healthy relationship with Ash Fork and the surrounding communities.



Memorial Day, May 31st 10 am at Ash Fork Cemetery the American Legion will hold a Memorial Day Service. Refreshments at American Legion Hall following the services.



Yavapai County is responsible for the Therma Route 66 mat signs on Old Route 66 by Museum. This is a specialty for visitors taking pictures on their trip on Route 66.

THANKS!



Route 66's 100th birthday will be coming up in 2026. We need to be thinking of something special for this celebration.

Remember what we did for Arizona's 100th birthday in 2012. The unveiling of the Flagstone Mon-

ument located at the left side of the Historical Monument.

Lonnie Courtney is working on a similar one for the right side of the Monument honoring Vietnam Vets. The community is in support of Lonnie's dream and hope to see activity in the near future with his project. Continued from page 5 Sports

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Love your coaches,

Erika Acosta & Lauren Hume









It's Little League Season. Ash Fork has a long history in the Williams Little League Division, since 1951. It's a great program for boys and girls, learning, playing and having fun during the summer and what they learned and improved on carries over to High School and beyond. The community supports the softball and baseball teams. Lulu Bells BBQ is sponsoring the softball team again. AFDA offers scholarships to help with fees and this year was asked to donate \$200 to sponsor a banner in their honor.





## READY FOR SCHOOL, SET FOR LIFE.

Lynda Bennett 480-493-6566 lbennett@firstthingsfirst.org

The importance of child care providers to families, to communities and to Arizona's economy came into clearer view over the past year.

The pandemic caused the abrupt shutdown of many child care and home-based centers. For example, more than half of the nearly 1,000 child care providers who participate in First Things First's Quality First program had closed by mid-March.

Now, despite drastically reduced enrollment and expensive increased health and safety measures, many centers are determined to serve families who need safe, trusted child care in order to continue working.

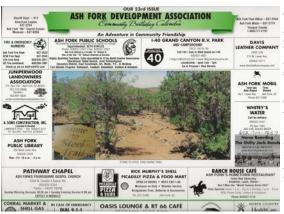
While it was challenging for everyone, the resilience and dedication of early educators renewed our deep appreciation for those who provide child care and the essential role it plays. Especially in uncertain times, early care and education providers offer families critical support when they need it most.

Throughout the month of May, First Things First invites Arizonans to show their gratitude for the state's early care and education providers through the #ShareTheCareAZ campaign. Visit the Share the Care AZ page for simple ways to show support.

Child care workers, preschool teachers and friend and family caregivers help our youngest children learn, grow and succeed. The nurturing relationships they build with our children are critical to the healthy development of babies, toddlers and preschoolers. More Arizonans are now realizing that the child care workforce is an essential family support and an engine of our economy. This past year has made clear that a lack of quality child care impacts workforce participation and job stability.

We invite you to share the #ShareTheCareAZ video on your Facebook, Instagram or Twitter and tag your favorite provider or center with a personal note — just be sure to use #ShareTheCareAZ and tag First Things First when posting. You can also copy this video link: youtu.be/v7scZvSetko.

You can also follow First Things First on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter to see posts sharing gratitude for caregivers throughout May. The goal is for every caregiver in Arizona to feel the appreciation, because by caring for our children, they've been caring for us all.



This is the 60th year for Ash Fork Community Calendars. It has been passed down from Woman's Club to PTO to AFDA and has been in their hands for more than three decades now. Thank you for your support. Proceeds have always helped with programs for our youth, one being Little League.

Our business advertisements serve as a phone directory, as phone books are past history.

Business ad prices will remain the same, but individuals will have a small increase of \$2.00. Price for calendars will be \$8.00 each this year.



The Museum will reopen on May 3, 2021 from 9am to 3pm. This will be a soft opening to see how the pandemic proceeds. Therefore the Museum will only be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday's from 9 am until 3 pm until further notice. The Museum will be abiding by Yavapai County regulations. Masks are required and social distancing will be maintained to protect our volunteers and guests alike.

More volunteers are needed. If you think this is something you would like to do stop by the Museum and check it out.

Sad that we are missing out on Pioneer Day for the second time in a row. This event brought our community together and was our fundraiser. Hope to get back on schedule real soon.



Ash Fork Cemetery Clean-up Day will be May 22, 2021. Work begins at 8:00 am until the work is done. Rakes, shovels, bags, week whackers, gloves are just some of the tools needed for the job of cleaning grave sites. Hauling trash, emptying trash barrels are some additional chores

that need to be done.

The appearance of our cemetery reflects a caring community which we can be proud of.

Everyone is busy—if you can only work an hour or so, do that, it counts. How much we get done this day depends on you.



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### **OLD FASHION JULY 4TH PARTY**

WHEN:: July 3, 2021 11:00 AM—3:00 PM

WHERE Fenced vacant lot by Museum—west end of town WHY: Fund raiser for upkeep of Stone Dam Lake\*

LUNCH MENU: Grilled Hamburgers & Hot Dogs; Baked Beans; Nachos; Chili

Verde; Cole Slaw; Ice Cream; Cookies; Brownies; Watermelon;

Soda—Tea—Water

LUNCH COST: \$7.00 Adults \$5.00 Children Under 12 years old

GAMES PONY RIDES BOUNCY HOUSE SODA POT RING TOSS MUSIC

\*Stone Dam Lake offers family recreation, picnicking, fishing and hiking. Costs incurred to AFDA include Dam Inspections, Insurance, Taxes, Fish Stocking and Road Maintenance.



# HELP WANTED NORTHERN ARIZONA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 119 N. ASPEN AVE. FLAGSTAFF, AZ 86001

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NACOG Head Start is currently recruiting for Substitute II (Teacher) positions, and Substitute I (Aide) positions in the Williams and Ash Fork areas These are "as needed" positions with the potential for full-time employment.

Benefits include: Substitute II \$14.77/hr. up to 35 hrs./wk., sick pay. Substitute I \$12.00/hr. up.

Visit nacog.org to complete an employment application. Questions: HR@nacog.org Equal opportunity employer and committed to workplace diversity.

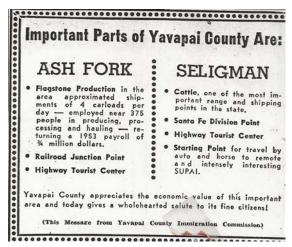
#### ASH FORK & WILLIAMS HEAD START ACCEPTING

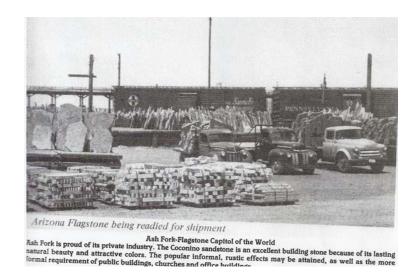
APPLICATIONS NOW! We have a Center based program serving 3-5 year old's, a Home-based program for 3-5 year old's and an Early Head Start Home-based program serving Prenatal Moms and Children 0-3. \*Family support service \*Age appropriate activities \*Training for Parents \*Nutritious meals & snacks \*Assistance with medical & dental services \*Transportation referrals \*Services for children with different abilities \*Professionally trained/licensed Early Childhood Staff \*All services are FREE

Ash Fork Head Start 450 W. Lewis Ave., Ash Fork 86320 (928)637-1027

Williams Head Start 310 W. Sherman Williams, AZ 86046 (928)635-4273 Please stop by today to enroll your child!

#### **OUT OF THE PAST**





Yavapai County News...\*Due to the exceptional drought Juniper trees are dying off. While the Forest Service has observed some insects on dead trees, they believe that the initial cause of death is directly tied to water stress. Trees impacted by drought show a change in color of their needle-like scales, which typically starts at the branch tips and spreads down the tree, fading from green to a bright yellow.

In order to provide short-term protection against drought-caused mortality, homeowners can protect individual high-value trees through watering. As this die-off is not currently related to insets, insecticide treatments are not recommended. As a reminder, deep but infrequent watering at the drip line, the area below the edge of the tree's canopy, is the most effective method for active water absorption. Watering at the trunk base is not effective. Generally, homeowners should water until soil is moistened to a depth of 18 inches and wait until soil dries to water again about every two weeks. Homeowners should avoid overwatering as this can harm tree health.

\*Yavapai County Development Services continues to stay active and reported 132 permits during the week of April 19th with 68 of them in District 4, over 50% of the total permits.

\*The 6th Annual Arizona Sonshine Free Health Care Clinic will be Thursday, June 17th and Friday June 18th at the Findlay Toyota Center in Prescott Valley. Registration 7 am—1 pm. This is a first-come-first-served event.

#### Lions Eye Care Van is Coming To Ash Fork Library.....

The Lions Eye Care Van is coming to Ash fork Public Library on Wednesday, May 5, 2021. Call for an appointment at the Library 928-637-2442 or stop by the Library to make an appointment. The hours for the Eye Care Van is from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm.

If you need help with your vision, Lions of Yavapai can help you!

The Lions Eye Care Van is a service of the Lions Clubs of Yavapai County and Mel Clack Fund

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We're On The Web: www.AshForkWaterService.com THE ASH FORK DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION WAS INCORPORATED THE 4TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 1966. THE GENERAL NATURE OF BUSINESS IS THE TREANSPORTATION, DELIVERY AND SALE OF WATER. IN ADDITION THE ASSOCIATION WILL RENDER CONSTRUCTIVE CIVIC SERVICES FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY AND OF THE CITIZENS OF ASH FORK, AZ, TO INCULCATE CIVIC CONSCIOUSNESS BY MEANS OF ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN CONSTRUCTIVE PROJECTS WHICH WILL IMPROVE THE COMMUNITY, STATE ANDNATION.

#### ASH FORK DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

**MEETING DATES:** 

May 19, 2021 June 16, 2021 7:00 PM

ESCALANTE MEEETING ROOM @LLC BUILDING LEWIS AVE. & 5TH STREET (BY THE MARQUEE)

Ash Fork Tourist Center and Museum
Soft opening—May 3, 2021
Will open Mon., Wed. & Friday 9 am-3pm
Operated by Volunteers
Ash Fork Historical Society

Flowers and Their Meaning

Sunflower-haughtiness Foxglove-insincerity

Snapdragon-indifference Marigold-grief

Lavender-distrust Clematis-intellect

Begonia-warning Columbine-folly

**Community Church Schedules:** 

Ash Fork Baptist Church Lewis Ave. & 1st St. Sunday Services 11:00 AM

Pathway Chapel Double A Ranch Rd. Sunday Services 10:30 AM and 6:30 PM

St. Anne Catholic Church 7th St. Wed. & Sat.: Rosary 3:30 PM Mass 4:00 PM

Gospel of Faith Church Bullock Rd, @Cattle Guard Sunday Services 11:00 AM

Emmanuel Trinity Church 47423 N. 4th St. Sunday (Bi-lingual) 10 AM Wed. Bible Study 6PM

Information call Pastor Robert (928)853-1122