

Fredonia Front-Page

Town of Fredonia, Arizona

Gateway to the Canyons

Fredonia Begins New Newsletter

The Town of Fredonia is starting a new format for the monthly newsletter. The Town Council, Town Manager and employees hope you will find the newsletter, now known as the Fredonia Front-Page, to be useful and inviting.

The Fredonia FrontPage will now consist of up to 4 pages whereas in the past the town newsletter was a single page on the back of monthly utility bills. Much of the information in the Fredonia Front-Page will be written by the town departments. We will also be accepting articles and information from private residents.

Included in the newsletter will be information about future plans within the Town of Fredonia and updates regarding town activities. Each month will feature an article written by a member of the Town Council. Each department within the Town will have their own posted information, as necessary, for your particular interest.

The Town leadership wants the Fredonia Front-Page to be your news and to meet your interests. We welcome your input and comments. You may submit your thoughts directly to tftownmanager@gmail.com. The Fredonia Front-Page is being made available to as many people as possible through hard copies at the Town Hall, Library and Senior Center. It will also be made available through email and on the Town's website;

Fredoniaaz.net, and US Postal service upon request.

Enjoy reading and share with us your thoughts.

Council Message

Mayor

Randy Griffiths

In January the Town Council adopted a new theme for the Fredonia, along with a comprehensive mission statement.

The new theme, to be displayed on all town publications, is :

Fredonia: Gateway to the Canyons .

Fredonia sits strategically as the gateway to the many vast canyons of interest to people across the world. The new theme is designed to reflect the central focus for vacationers worldwide.

As the world arrives to visit the region our desire is to leave them with a lasting and positive vision of the Town of Fredonia.

Happenings

The Town of Fredonia offers many opportunities for personal and family involvement in community activities. The following events are being planned for the future.

April 15—Early morning Easter Egg Hunt, at 8:00 am in the Town’s Central Park. We invite all town children to this fun annual event. Also residents wishing to assist with the Easter Egg Hunt are welcome to contact anyone at the Town Hall to volunteer.

April 29—The Town of Fredonia is holding a “Spring Splash.” It is a day of old time fun games, refreshments, and competitions in the park. This event will be an inexpensive fund raising opportunity for the town to generate the needed matching funds required for the construction of a new swimming pool (More about the swimming pool grant in a separate article).

May 19 & 20—The first annual Northern Arizona Bar-B-Que will be held at the rodeo grounds. Friday night will include country entertainment and a S’mores baking activity for all. Saturday will be a B-B-Q competition with judging to start at 11:00am. A Gymkhana Rodeo will begin following the B-B-Q contest. Vendors, will be welcomed. This will be a great event for entire families.

“Although you have allowed us the privilege to serve on the Town Council we unitedly emphasize this is your Town.” Mayor Randy

Swimming Pool Update

In November 2016 the Town of Fredonia began a grant application process to acquire funds to replace or refurbish our forty-year-old pool. The grant request was to the Land and Conservation Fund, administered by the Arizona State Parks and Recreation department. The grant requires a fifty percent matching fund from the community.

Approximately two weeks ago the town was advised that our grant received one of the three required approvals. This past Friday the second approval was also given. The challenge now is to raise the necessary matching funds. Part of the matching funds have been requested from local governing entities, businesses, and residents. Approximately 40% of the match funds will come from in-kind contributions. The Spring Splash described above is one effort we will make to acquire the matching funds.

The grant will be funded about October 2017. The pool improvement will begin in early January 2018 and be available for use in the 2018 swim season. We look forward to this significant community resource. The long tradition of excellent swim competitions will be further enhanced.

<p style="text-align: center;">Crossword Clues</p> <p>Across</p> <p>2 Scary (11)</p> <p>6 What we do fishing (5)</p> <p>7 Throw (4)</p> <p>9 Not she (2)</p> <p>10 Particular candy (3)</p> <p>12 "For ____ us." (4)</p> <p>13 Either (2)</p> <p>14 Worst misbehavior (10)</p> <p>16 Entrepreneur (11)</p>	1										
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Public Safety

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- 1 Show off (11)
- 2 False story (7)
- 3 Excited (10)
- 4 Cite (3)
- 5 Leave (2)
- 8 Fire (5)
- 11 Last place (6)
- 15 Total (3)
- 16 Multiplying word (2)
- 17 George Washington tool. (2)

The Marshal’s Office faced the resignation of a long-serving deputy a few months ago. A recruitment for a new deputy has been ongoing. On April Tenth the Town will receive our final round of applications. At that time we will continue our extensive testing and interviews.

At the conclusion of the selection process the newly selected deputy will undergo extensive training through Police Officer Standard Training. Marshal Grover and Deputy Horlacher are currently maintaining full law enforcement for the Town.

We have had a very rainy season. Those rains are now providing us with beauty all around us. They are also providing us with additional chances to mow lawns and prepare productive gardens.

Yet, the winter season is followed by a very dry season. With the excess growth of so much vegetation the dry summer months will create serious fire risks.

Please be aware of potential fire hazards; long standing limb piles, grass, etc. Let’s protect both the Town and the region.

Recreation and Town Events

Little league practice and play is upon us. Come out and enjoy watching our young children have fun.

Softball will also be here soon. Begin putting your team together. If you have an interest in organizing the softball schedule and tournament this year please contact Town Hall staff.

The Swimming pool will be open this year, on Memorial Day weekend, for our routine summer pool activities.

The Town of Fredonia is working toward re-establishing the Northern Arizona Fair. Dates have not been set, but the time frame will be in late August or early September.

The Civics Committee is welcoming new committee members. The committee meets monthly to plan these community events. Contact the town staff to sign-up.

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