



# Prescott Valley



## November 2020

# Town News

## PV Civic Center lighting, parade, Santa on tap for Dec. 4

The Town of Prescott Valley and the Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce are once again hosting the annual outdoor Festival of Lights and Night Light Parade on Friday, Dec. 4.

Join us at the Theater on the Green at the Civic Center at 5 p.m. for music and a program including the reading of the Night Before Christmas by Chamber CEO Marnie Uhl.

Then, the excitement builds as Mayor Kell Palguta will count down and give the signal to light up the entire Civic Center grounds. Crews began in early October to install this year's spectacular light show, so be ready for a breathtaking sight as the lights come on.

After the lighting, at about 6 p.m., the Night Light Parade will begin. The lighted floats will stage in Findlay Toyota Center parking lot, travel down Main St., then East on Lakeshore, around the Civic Center, and back to the Findlay Toyota Center on Main. Parking is available in the Civic Center Parking lots, and around Skoog Blvd.

After the parade, guests will have the opportunity to be transported to the North Pole and stroll through the Gumdrop Forest, Gingerbread Workshop, and end the trip with a special sneak peek of Santa himself. He'll be checking his list to see whose been naughty or nice!

Santa's North Pole Village will be open to visitors directly following the Festival of Lights Parade in the Crystal Room at the Prescott Valley Public Library.

Additionally, the PV Chamber of Commerce will have a walk-through "Stroll" through the Valley of Lights from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1.

For more information on the Festival of Lights, the Night Light Parade, and the Valley of Lights Stroll, please call the PV Chamber of Commerce at 928-772-8857.

For information on the North Pole Village, and free photos with Santa, call 928-759-3090.



## Reception to honor outgoing councilmembers

The Town of Prescott Valley invites the public to a reception on Thursday, Dec. 10 from 6-8 p.m. at the Findlay Toyota Center, 2nd floor, honoring outgoing Vice Mayor Lora Lee Nye and Council member Rick Anderson.

Complimentary hors d'oeuvres will be served, beverages will be available for purchase.

Vice Mayor Lora Lee Nye was first elected to the Council in 2003. She was re-elected in 2007, and again in 2011



Lora Lee Nye



Rick Anderson

and 2016. She served as Vice Mayor from 2009-2010; 2013-2014; and 2017 to current. She also has served on numerous boards and committees, including the West Yavapai Guidance Clinic; the Northern Arizona Council of

Governments Executive Board; the Northern AZ Child Development Advisory Board; Northern Arizona Head Start; MATforce drug prevention; Yavapai Water Advisory Committee; Upper Verde River Watershed Protection Coalition and Big Brothers Big Sisters. She has been active in Arts & Culture in Prescott Valley for many years.

Councilmember Rick

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# Town recovers 2/3 of 2019 water deliveries, recharges aquifer

The Town of Prescott Valley, through its Advanced (Wastewater) Treatment Facility, recovered nearly two-thirds of the groundwater delivered to water customers in 2019.

Based on the Town's annual report to the Arizona Department of Water Resources, 2,550 acre-feet of the 4,540 acre-feet served to Town wastewater customers was reclaimed and used to recharge the aquifer, while another 360 acre-feet were delivered for direct use at Mountain Valley Park and the StoneRidge golf course, reducing demand on the aquifer.

This effort is part of a larger water management strategy to optimize and manage the Town's groundwater supply. Of the amount recharged, 1,730 acre-feet were credited to the Town's long-term storage account. About 40 acre-feet, or around 2 percent, were lost to evaporation at the recharge facilities. The remainder, or more than 820 acre-feet, were permanently contributed to the aquifer. An acre-foot is equal to 325,851 gallons or enough to meet the water needs of nine people for a year.

Accounting of municipal recharge is defined in Arizona Revised Statutes. Long-term storage credits are held for future use by the municipality. Water permanently contributed to the aquifer cannot be recovered by the municipality for use at a later date. The Arizona



Aerial view of recharge basins located east of Prescott Valley

Department of Water Resources (ADWR) administers the Town's recharge efforts by issuing permits and conducting annual audits of the Town's recharge activities. Groundwater recharge projects are located at dozens of sites throughout Arizona, including in Prescott and Chino Valley, and are an important part of the State's water supply. Long-term storage credits allow the Town to meet future water needs without increasing net groundwater pumping and reduces infrastructure costs that would otherwise be required to pipe the reclaimed water directly to end users.

Recharge occurs at two locations

in the Town where reclaimed water is held in ponds or behind small dams to allow water to seep into the ground. The rate of seepage is far larger than the rate of evaporation and only about 2 percent of the total is lost to evaporation. Once the water is stored underground it is no longer subject to evaporation losses as it would be if stored on the surface. Studies at the Town's recharge sites have determined that the reclaimed water travels down at around 120 feet per year where it replenishes the aquifer.

For more information, please visit <https://www.pvaz.net/244/Water-Reuse-Recharge>.

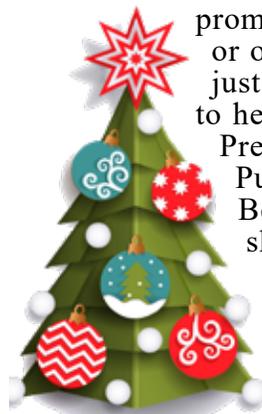
## Don't miss out! Applications now open for annual Create-a-Tree Exhibit

Join us in celebrating the 19th Annual Create-A-Tree Art Exhibit!

Individuals or groups can be as creative as they like in creating a holiday tree which will be displayed in our Public Library.

Applications will close on November 20, 2020. *All applications received after this date will still be considered based upon available space.*

Create-A-Tree is a great way to



promote your group or organization (or just have fun) and to help decorate the Prescott Valley Public Library. Be creative and showcase your artistic flair by building your tree from non-traditional, n o n - d e

nominal, and non-flammable materials. There are no entry or admission fees for this festive program!

The Create-A-Tree exhibit is on display from December 4th – January 8th at the Prescott Valley Public Library.

Applications can be found at [www.pvaz.net/parks](http://www.pvaz.net/parks).

For more information please call Parks and Recreation at 928-759-3090 or email [ichewning@pvaz.net](mailto:ichewning@pvaz.net).

# Utility work, paving continuing on Viewpoint Connector project



Work is continuing on the Viewpoint Connector project, with crews paving portions of Viewpoint Drive north of Roundup in early November, opening that portion to traffic.

Throughout November, crews will be finishing underground utility work in the Manley intersection, and will begin establishing the reconfigured intersection in that area. The project is on track to open early in 2021.

## Community Services Update

### Registration for Volleyball leagues opens Dec. 1

Registration for the 2020-21 Winter Women's, Men's and CO-ED Volleyball League will open December 1st through December 18th, 2020 or until maximum capacity is reached.

Leagues will be available for COED A & COED B which will play on Tuesday evenings, Women's A (1) and Women's B will play on Wednesday evenings and Women's A (2) and Men's A will play on Thursday evenings.

All games will be played at The Boys and Girls Club with an eight-game guarantee. Registration fee is \$150 per team and all participants must be 15 years or older to participate.

A mandatory managers meeting will be Tuesday, January 5th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Crystal Room of the PV Public Library. A team captain or a representative of the team is required to attend this meeting in order to participate. Games will begin the week of January 11th.

### New and Upcoming Classes!

*Complete Fitness:* Complete Fitness is designed to increase strength, range of movement, balance and coordination. Exercises are performed using handheld weights, resistance bands and body weight for a full body workout. Cost is \$5 per class. Classes are Mondays from 10:00 – 10:50 am at the Prescott Valley Civic Center.

*Dance Fitness:* Get in a great workout while having fun! The class uses different music genres with varied tempos to keep you moving. The simple low and medium impact movements are choreographed to the music to meet all fitness levels. Cost is \$5 per class. Classes are Mondays from 9:00 – 9:50 am at the Prescott Valley Civic Center.

*Chito Ryu Karate:* Starting in November, we are offering two sessions of Chito Ryu Karate rather than just one. Students can register for either the Monday evening session (6:30 – 7:45 pm) or the Saturday morning session (8:30 – 9:45 am).

Both will be held at the Boys & Girls Club Gym.

### December 'Turkey Toss' Tourney to benefit Toys for Tots

Join us Saturday, Dec. 12th from 1-5 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club in Prescott Valley for Turkey Toss!

This is a social Corn Toss Tournament, games and activities for the whole family, and a holiday food and toy drive!

Pre-registration is required for the Corn Toss Tournament. The Town of Prescott Valley Community Services Department will be donating \$10 of every registration to Toys for Tots.

Additional donations for Toys for Tots and the Yavapai Food Bank will be accepted at the event. Please bring canned food donations, packaged toys/games, or cash donations to be entered in raffle contests. Wear your UGLIEST HOLIDAY SWEATER to be entered to win a prize!

**For information on events, programs, sport leagues or special event visit [www.pvaz.net](http://www.pvaz.net) or call 928-759-3090.**

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

Hello everyone. I hope this month's newsletter finds you all in good spirits and health. This month I would like to discuss our community's mindset and what makes Prescott Valley so amazing.

Whether or not our preferred political candidates won or lost the election this month, it should not change how we are as neighbors, citizens and friends. We all can continue to be a part of the Party of Prescott Valley.

Our community is home to many great attractions and events. I for one feel blessed every single day to wake up and know that my family gets to grow up here, go to school here and hopefully one day raise their own families here.

I recently gave a talk in which I asked the attendees by a show of hands who would love to win \$10 million that day. Naturally as you can imagine, every single hand went up. I then asked them to keep their hand up if they



would still be so willing to accept the \$10 Million that day if it meant that they would not wake up the following morning. Naturally

EVERY hand went down.

I pointed out to everyone that even the temptation of \$10 million is not worth not waking up and living life the next day.

So if we as citizens believe that waking up and living life in Prescott Valley is worth more to us than \$10 million, then we need to remember to be grateful every single day and be excited that we live in the greatest community in the Southwest. Every day in Prescott Valley is like winning the lottery!

Now certainly neither you nor I can make someone else be happy or content on a daily

basis. All we can focus on is ourselves and our own mindsets, and how we live each and every day. My experience is that those who tend to be mostly negative, pessimistic and never appear to be happy will tend to be negative and pessimistic about everything in their day. We will never change these people, so we must choose to focus on ourselves and make a conscious effort to live life to its fullest.

So in conclusion, I want to thank each of you for being a part of our great community and being committed to making Prescott Valley the amazing place it is.

I assure you that your Town Council and Town staff are working hard every single day to improve the quality of life for citizens and keep Prescott Valley moving in a positive and exciting direction.

I wish you all a happy and safe holiday season as we move closer and closer to the year 2021.

## Reception, from page 1

Anderson is a local businessman appointed to the Council February 2009. He was re-elected in 2011 and 2016. He brought to the Council a strong background in community volunteerism including membership on the Prescott Valley Military

Monument Committee, Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce, VA Hospital and the General Plan 2020 Committee.

He worked in management counseling at Yavapai College as well as a program/recruiting and

retention specialist for Veteran's Upward Bound Project. He was a personnel manager/recruiter for the U.S. Army and is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, BPO Elks #330, Disabled American Veterans Chapter 16 and the Early Bird Lions.

**Findlay TOYOTA CENTER**

# ICE SKATING

**NEW FOR 2020!**

- \* Pick your day and time & pay in advance
- \* Capacities are limited - sign up early
- \* Private rentals also available

Visit [FindlayToyotaCenter.com](http://FindlayToyotaCenter.com) to check the schedule, reserve your session, and learn what to expect when you arrive.

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