



# Prescott Valley



## December 2020

# Town News

## Modified fun: New Years Eve, Polar Bear Splash still on tap

The Town of Prescott Valley will continue with two of its favorite activities in December and January, modified for safety in this time of Covid.

Join the Town of Prescott Valley Community Services Department for an evening of celebration as we bring in the **New Year 2021**. The fun will begin at 7 p.m. on December 31 at the Findlay Toyota Center Parking lot, 3201 N. Main Street, Prescott Valley.

Come out and enjoy a huge bonfire, s'mores prepared by Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority, hot chocolate served by Prescott Valley Police, and Ice Skating at the Event Center (normal fees will apply).

Small firepits will also be available for warmth.

The evening will conclude with two great fireworks displays, the first at 8:30 p.m. and the next at midnight to bring in the New Year.

Join us on Saturday January 9th,

2021 for our annual **Polar Bear Splash** event. The event will be held at Mountain Valley Splash pool, 8600 E Nace Lane, at 8 a.m. Come out and enjoy a free family fun event.

Bring the family for the cool themed games, contests and prizes. If you're a rather hairy male, join in the Ice Princess Contest to win an awesome prize package!

This year you will need to send a picture of your hairy bod to participate in the Ice Princess contest. Send your photo to [parks@pvaz.net](mailto:parks@pvaz.net). We will then narrow it down to the top four to strut their stuff at the event.

The highlight of the event is the Polar Bear Splash. If you dare, leap in and dive for prizes! Signups will take place on our website prior to the event at [www.pvaz.net/parks](http://www.pvaz.net/parks). For more information



on these fun and free events, call Parks & Recreation at 928-759-3090.

## CDBG grants will fund two community projects

The Town of Prescott Valley was awarded approximately \$1.25 million in Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) in recent months. The money will be used for two community improvement projects.

Approximately \$750,000 will go toward renovating the Boys and Girls Club located at the corner of Robert Road and Loos Drive. This building is owned by the Town of Prescott Valley, but leased to the Boys and Girls Club of Central Arizona.

The building recently underwent a \$1.5 million expansion when a large gym and foyer were added. This project was also constructed by using CDBG funds, along with large donations from the Fain Family, Massy Foundation,



The Boys & Girls Club received extensive upgrades thanks to CDBG grants

and Phoenix Suns Charities.

The new grant will pay to remodel

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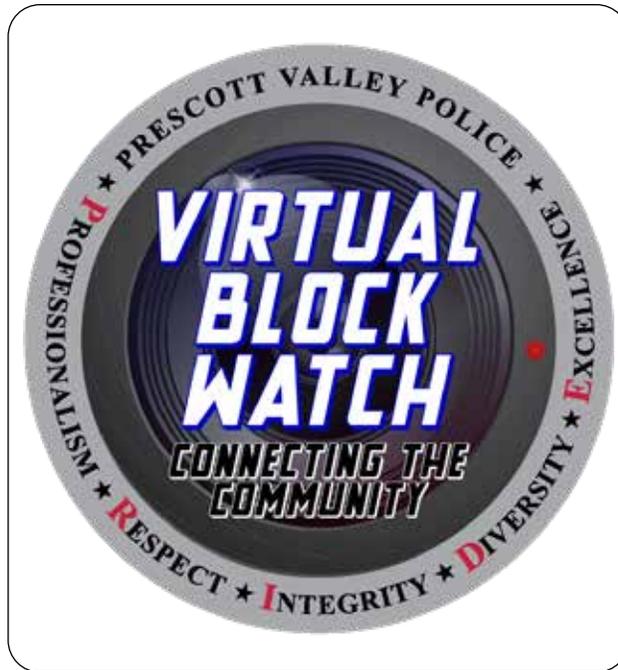
# PVPD Virtual Block & Business Watch another crime fighting tool

To say this past year has been interesting is an understatement. Gatherings and events have been cancelled, and we are sure you are feeling the effects in your neighborhoods and among your family and friends.

The Prescott Valley Police Department wants to continue to reach out and let you all know that we are still here for you when it comes to crime prevention and Block Watch support.

Many people in Prescott Valley have doorbell cameras and exterior security video capability. It's always the season for packages to be stolen from porches, and vandalism is always a concern. Your video footage can help solve crimes in your neighborhood.

The Prescott Valley Police Department and the Town of Prescott Valley continue to work with the residents of the Town to sign up for the Virtual Block Watch program.



your family and your community by registering with Virtual Block Watch.

To register your CCTV with the Prescott Valley Police Department, please complete and submit the form found on our Town website (<https://www.pvaz.net/formcenter/police-department-7/virtual-block-watch-registration-form-76>)

If you need assistance or have any questions about Virtual Block Watch, please don't hesitate to contact CPO Tim Taylor at 928-772-5149. You can also reach out to CPO Evelyn Whittaker anytime at 928-772-5113 for Crime Prevention and Block Watch Support.

Prescott Valley Police Department is thankful for your continued support.

Registering your camera helps deter crime, and it helps the department in its overall crime prevention strategy in your neighborhood. Protect yourself,

## Jenkins gift allows for needed upgrades to Town's CASA Senior Center

This fall, a generous \$300,000 gift from the estate of Raymond Jenkins allowed for the upgrade of kitchen facilities, an outdoor pavilion, and new vestibule for the CASA Senior Center.

The kitchen facilities included equipment such as a new planetary mixer, food slicer, transport carts, dishwasher, shelving, microwave oven, cabinet cook/hold oven, stoves, convection steamer, seven reach in refrigerators and freezers, cold serving counter and more.

A new covered pavilion will allow for more outdoor seating and recreation, and the new vestibule will facilitate meals on wheels delivery and climate controlled entrance and exit to the building.

Director/CEO Betty Robinson said the upgrades are most welcome as much of the center's equipment was outdated and not



Cook Kathy Reed is enjoying the efficiency of new kitchen equipment at the CASA Senior Center.

working well. The new equipment is efficient and meets the needs of the Center's growing services.

"It's wonderful," Robinson said, "like early Christmas!"

The Center is serving meals in house, takeout, and through

Meals on Wheels, all with proper distancing and sanitation measures during Covid.

The CASA Senior Center is located at 9360 E. Manzanita Circle. For more information call (928) 772-3337.

# NAZ Suns Way now permanently changed to Veterans Way



With the departure from Prescott Valley of the Northern Arizona Suns G League team, the Town decided a new name for NAZ Suns Way was in order. The Town asked citizens for suggestions for a new, permanent name and then narrowed the list to four, asking citizens to then vote for their favorite. Arena Blvd. and Veterans Way emerged as the top two choices, with residents opting to honor the community's veterans with "Veterans Way." We appreciate our veterans, and now we have a new sign as a reminder of their service. Thanks to all who participated and voted!

## Talk to Town staff at 2020 Open Houses

### Open to the Public

Tue, Jan. 5, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

**PV Public Library Crystal Room, 7401 E. Skoog Blvd.**

### HOA Events - open to HOA residents only

Tue, Jan. 12, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. (Stoneridge residents only)

**Stoneridge Community Center, 1300 N. Stoneridge Dr.**

Wed, Jan. 20, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. (Pronghorn Ranch residents only)

**Pronghorn Ranch Clubhouse, 7501 N. Antelope Meadows Dr.**

*Have a skill?  
We're looking  
for instructors!*

Do you have a skill or interest to share? The Town of Prescott Valley's Community Services Department believes that learning is a rewarding experience that is best in an informal, supportive, environment.

Opportunities exist to teach in the Town's facilities and throughout its park system. We are looking for qualified instructors to teach part-time programs and classes in health, art, music, personal enrichment, children's activities, and more!

For more information or to apply to become an instructor please contact Parks and Recreation at (928) 759-3090.

## Prescott Valley has volunteer opportunities!

If you would like to meet new people and give back to your community at the same time, the Town of Prescott Valley has many volunteer opportunities for you! Volunteer opportunities include several Commissions that influence policy for the Town.

### Arts & Culture Commission

This commission serves in an advisory capacity to the Town Council on matters pertaining to the visual and performing arts and culture within Prescott Valley. It is a volunteer position by appointment of the Town Council, requiring some experience and knowledge of the arts and culture.

First priority for membership is given to those who live and reside within the Prescott Valley town limits; however, persons residing outside of the town limits who are uniquely qualified for membership may be considered for appointment.

Applicants are required to attend at least one Arts and Culture Commission meeting prior to an interview being scheduled.

### Library Board of Trustees

This is a volunteer position by appointment of the Town Council. This



position requires general knowledge of library operations, policies and procedures. Those appointed must live and reside within the Prescott Valley town limits.

Commission applications are available in the Executive Management Office, on the 4th floor of the Civic Center at E. 7501 Skoog Blvd.,

Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. For inquiries, call 928-759-3100 or email [lduke@pvaz.net](mailto:lduke@pvaz.net). Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

### Other Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer positions also are available in the Community Services (Library, Parks & Recreation, and Arts & Culture), Police Department, Legal Department, and Community Development Department.

For information and applications for the Police Department, please visit [www.pvaz.net/343/Volunteers-in-Policing-VIPs](http://www.pvaz.net/343/Volunteers-in-Policing-VIPs).

For information on other volunteer positions, please visit [www.pvaz.net](http://www.pvaz.net) and scroll to Volunteers, or call Volunteer Central at 928-759-3123.

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

Hello everyone. I hope that this month's newsletter finds you in great spirits and even better health.

As 2020 comes to a close, this is a great opportunity for each of us to reflect on the past and what is in store for our future. Despite what some may think about the year 2020, Prescott Valley and its residents have a lot to be happy and proud about.

The Year 2020 saw some major road expansions and improvements all throughout Prescott Valley.

The completion of Sunset Lane, which brought sidewalks, a turning lane and streetlights to that area of Town, increased connectivity and safety.

The Viewpoint Connector Project is expected to wrap up in January, complimenting the already highly successful Spouse/Viewpoint Intersection Project. These two projects brought an added North/South travel route to the heart of Prescott Valley, helping to alleviate traffic congestion on other arterial streets and roads.



Be sure to check out the Town of Prescott Valley website for other road additions and improvements that were completed during 2020.

This year also brought a time in which our community came together to look out for each other and show our strengths and common goals. These certainly outweigh any differences that we may have.

I have encouraged each and every one of you to do your part in making that sure that we are taking care of neighbors and friends during this year. We need to continue to support each other and make sure we work to make Prescott Valley an amazing place to live, work and play.

Here is a story I would like to share

in regard to how we as neighbors and friends help to keep Prescott Valley amazing. I was shopping at a local grocery store a week ago where I observed that down the aisle there was a mom with two very young toddlers who were certainly not happy to be shopping, and were letting everyone in the store know it. I could see the mom becoming very upset and frustrated with how her children were acting.

As I got closer down the aisle another woman in front of me approached the visibly upset mom and told her she was doing an amazing job and that we have all been there as parents. I could literally see the weight of the world lifted from this mom's shoulders by just a few kind words from a stranger. This made me smile as I walked by and it was another example of the small town friendliness that we all have come to love.

So remember this Holiday season that we are all neighbors and we all are in this together here in Prescott Valley.

Happy Holidays!

## CDBG Grants, from page 1

and update the older building which was originally constructed in the mid-1980s as a senior center. Additionally, the grant will pay to complete courtyard improvements, overlay the parking lot, and add an outdoor athletic court.

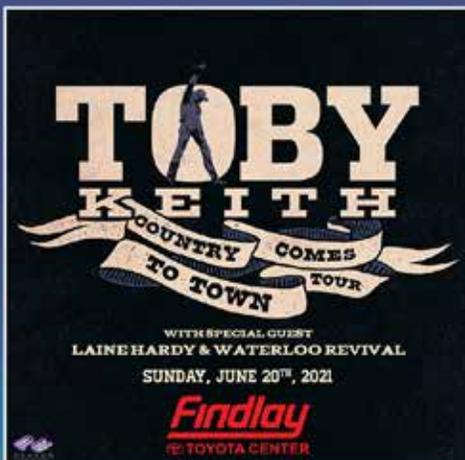
The other \$500,000 in CDBG funding will be used to add sidewalks along Cattletrack Drive leading to the Coyote Springs Elementary School.

Sidewalks will be added from Addis Ave. to Yucca Drive, or further south along Cattletrack if funding allows.

The Town has been awarded several of these grants in recent years and has sought to add sidewalks near schools to enhance pedestrian safety. This includes sidewalks on Loos Drive fronting Mountain View and Acorn Montessori Schools, Long Look Drive leading to Bradshaw

Mountain High School and Middle School, Lake Valley Road fronting Liberty Traditional School, and now Cattletrack Drive leading to Coyote Springs Elementary School.

Look for construction to begin on Cattletrack in the summer of 2021. The Town hopes to complete the majority of construction between school years to avoid conflicts with school traffic.



For tickets, special offers, and a full event list visit us online at [www.FindlayToyotaCenter.com](http://www.FindlayToyotaCenter.com)

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