



# Prescott Valley



## November 2021 Town News

### Tons of fun on tap as Prescott Valley gears up for Holidays

The Town of Prescott Valley and the Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce will partner again this holiday season to put on a number of fun, free, family events for the community.

The annual **Valley of Lights**, a lighted, animated display, will take place at Fain Park beginning Thanksgiving evening and running through December 30. Hours are Sunday through Thursday, 6-9 p.m., Friday, Saturday and holidays, 6-10 p.m. The event is free but donations are gratefully accepted to keep this 20-year tradition going.

Don't miss the **Stroll through the Valley of Lights**. This is your chance to view the Valley of Lights up close and personal in a 1-mile walk from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday, November 30. Free admission, donations are welcome.

The annual **Prescott Valley Festival of Lights** is an evening filled with performances by local school choirs, the spectacular **Civic**

**Center campus lighting**, the **Night Light Parade**, and **Santa's North Pole Workshop**

at the Prescott Valley Public Library. The fun starts at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, December 3 at the Theater on the Green, Civic Center, and after the parade, moves to the Library where kids can greet Santa. While you're at the Library, don't miss the **20th Annual Create-A-Tree exhibit**, where you can see an array of amazing trees and wreaths decorated by imaginative artists. All of these events are free and

fun for all ages. **Night Light Parade entries** are open until the end of November. Call the PV Chamber for information at 928-772-8857.



Plan to come out and enjoy the Festival of Lights Dec. 3 - program, parade, Civic Center lighting, Santa's North Pole Workshop and much more!!

### Microtransit: We need your answers on survey

The Town of Prescott Valley continues to move forward with its microtransit plan, and is now seeking public input with an online survey.

Microtransit offers transportation in smaller (vans, sedans, buses) vehicles shared by other riders, with flexible routing and/or scheduling. Rides can be reserved or booked by an app or via a call center. The plan, paid for with Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act dollars, is slated to begin service in Prescott Valley the first year, and possibly expand within the community or outside of the Town in years two or three.

The Town, which has gained approval for Federal funding, is now in the process of naming and branding



Use this QR code to access the microtransit survey, or visit [www.surveymonkey.com/r/R9WTSHR](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R9WTSHR)

to the community.

In year one, the Prescott Valley program will offer microtransit services

the service, purchasing vehicles, and selecting an operations and software vendor(s). During Spring 2022, the Town plans a "road show" to introduce the service and the transit vehicles

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## Give a gift to your community this Holiday season: Shop Local

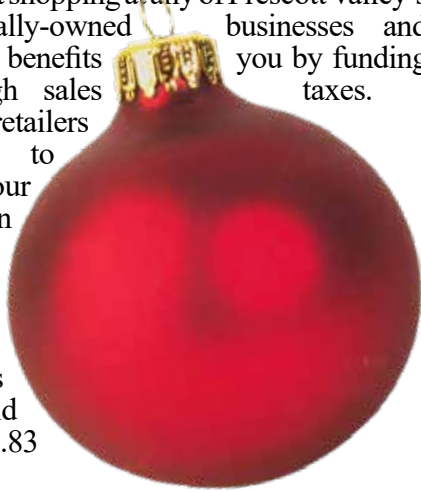
As the Holiday season approaches, you are most certainly thinking about your holiday shopping options. As you develop your gift list, remember that shopping at any of Prescott Valley's retail locations, both locally-owned businesses and national retailers, directly benefits you by funding your community through sales taxes.

Many major online retailers also remit sales taxes to Prescott Valley when your items are delivered to an address inside the Town limits.

The Town of Prescott Valley does not assess a property tax. The Town's operating expenses are paid for by the collection of a 2.83 percent sales tax.

Your sales tax dollars are used to maintain the roads you drive on every day, support the police officers who serve and protect you and pay for a myriad of other day-to-day Town services and activities. When you spend your money at retailers in Phoenix, Prescott or elsewhere in Arizona, you're still paying sales tax but instead, your money is going into other communities.

Shop Local, and have a safe and happy Holiday season.



## Need support after a crime? PD Liaisons are here to help

Victim Service Liaisons are non-sworn police employees who provide support services to victims of crime within the community. Liaisons review every police report and identify victims. They contact and provide victims with community resources and make them aware of the criminal justice process and their victim rights.

Victim Liaisons also provide information and crisis intervention services to support victims' successful participation in the criminal justice system and protect them from further victimization. They assist victims with Orders of Protection and Injunctions Against Harassment.

Liaisons act as support for victims on matters related to the crime. They conduct periodic follow-up to ensure appropriate community and social support services, and accompany crime victims and witnesses to hearings, interviews, line-ups, and other activities related to the Criminal Justice System.

They also provide short-term crisis intervention to help the victim deal with the emotional impact of the crime.

To contact Victim Services or for more information, please email [victimservices@pvaz.net](mailto:victimservices@pvaz.net) or call Javier Martinez (928)772-5125 or Kacee Graber at (928)772-5166.

## Get your learning on with PV Parks & Recreation classes

### Basic Dog Obedience

Learn the basics of training and build the foundation of a significant relationship with your dog in class with certified instructor Jann Watts!

Learn why it is so important from a dog's perspective to be his leader. The instructor will teach all basic commands - heel, sit, stay, down, and come - and address many typical behavior issues such as barking, biting, housebreaking, jumping up, door bolting, and more.

This class will provide great mind and body exercise for both you and your dog. Dogs must be at least four months old and current on vaccinations, and handlers must be 16 or older. Please, no aggressive dogs for this class.

Dates and times to be determined (watch [pvaz.net](http://pvaz.net), Community Services, Activity Registration for updates).

Classes will take place at The Valley Warehouse, 5880 Prairie Lane, Prescott Valley. Cost is \$175.

### Shing Yi and Ba Gua

Certified instructor Lloyd Day welcomes you to Shing Yi and Ba Gua! Shing Yi is an internal martial art that focuses on the five elements for moving meditation (wood, fire, earth, metal, and water). Each piece represents a particular organ in the body. Students will learn the proper movements, alignment and how to incorporate breathing with exercises. Ba Gua is based on the principles of movement and stillness, opening and closing, expanding and contracting, rising and falling, crossing and turning to balance the body and mind.

December and January classes are Wednesdays and Fridays 11 am to 1 pm at the Prescott Valley Civic Center, 3rd floor Activity Room. Ages 16 and up. Cost is \$10 per session.

### Beginner/Intermediate Total 360 Karate (Chito Ryu Karate)

Learn the basics of this progressive form of Japanese martial arts. Total 360 karate is designed to help students learn

discipline, confidence, self defense, team work, communication and respect. The classes teach a healthy lifestyle using innovative and fun techniques.

Location for classes is the Boys & Girls Club Gymnasium on Loos Drive in Prescott Valley.

Cost is \$25.00/session in November and December, \$30.00/session in January.

See schedule at [pvaz.net](http://pvaz.net), Community Services, Activity Registration.

### Intro to Painting

Discover if painting is a new creative hobby you want to pursue! This fun and informative introduction class, led by art instructor Tom Blank, will teach you some painting basics as you create your own masterpiece. All supplies provided.

November 18th 5-7 p.m.

December 16th 5-7 p.m.

Civic Center Conference Room 331.

Cost is \$30/session

For more classes and activities, visit [www.pvaz.net](http://www.pvaz.net) or call 928-759-3090.

## WATER MANAGEMENT IN PRESCOTT VALLEY: SUSTAINING OUR WATER SUPPLY

Prescott Valley's management plan includes conservation, education, recharge, and smart irrigation.

### PV recharges reclaimed water



Prescott Valley has a recharge pond field east of Town, and also recharges treated wastewater into the Agua Fria riverbed under strict ADWR regulations.



### Library grounds demonstrate Xeriscape

The Prescott Valley Library grounds are an example of Xeriscape, which uses attractive, water efficient plants. Information on Xeriscape is available in signage and inside the Library.

### High-tech irrigation controllers in parks save money and water

High-tech irrigation controllers have saved millions of gallons of water and thousands of dollars since installation in 2014. These can be controlled by smart phone so operators can respond quickly to weather and other factors.



### Tiered water rates encourage water conservation



Prescott Valley's tiered water rate structure rewards residents who conserve water with lower monthly bills.

### Public turf areas provide recreation



Prescott Valley maintains beautiful turf areas for the public to enjoy so residents don't have to install and water such areas.

For more information about Prescott Valley's water management

Visit the Town of Prescott Valley website at [pvaz.net](http://pvaz.net)



### Town's upcoming WaterSmart Portal will save water & money, encourage conservation

Prescott Valley's new WaterSmart portal offers real time information to water customers, including notification of leaks, water conservation challenges and tips, and information about water usage.

#### three steps to START SAVING

- 1 Log on
- 2 Register  
Use your account number listed on your water bill as your registration code
- 3 Personalize  
Answer our simple profile survey to provide accurate comparisons to similar households.



## PV youth arts to benefit from former resident's bequest



The Prescott Valley Performing Arts Children's Theater will benefit from Joseph Maranda's bequest

A former Prescott Valley resident and music lover has made it possible for youth arts to grow in the community.

Joseph Andre Maranda, under a trust created in 2001, dedicated his estate and assets to the Town of Prescott Valley to be used by the Prescott Valley Public Library and to found a Boys Choir.

The Town was readily able to use the money designated for the Library after Mr. Maranda's passing, but the dollars designated for the Boys Choir were held by the Town as it considered a use or uses that would be in accordance with Mr. Maranda's wishes as well as considering the needs and current conditions of the community. Over time, the remainder of the "Maranda Fund" grew to approximately \$375,000.

After discussions with local groups, Town staff petitioned the Superior Court to allow use of the trust funds for several purposes, including Town sponsoring of musical theater day camps at reduced rates to Prescott Valley residents, and assisting the Prescott Valley Performing Arts group to complete its children's theater at 3235 N Main Street and to create a Youth Choir for both boys and girls. After a hearing, the Court on Sept. 10, 2021 granted the Town's petition for these listed uses.

Town Council on October 28 approved an agreement with the Prescott Valley Performing Arts group for its proposed use of \$254,500 of the trust fund for (a) specified assistance towards completion of the children's theater, and (b) establishment and operation of a Prescott Valley Youth Choir over a five-year period.

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

Hello everyone. I hope this month's Mayor's Message finds you all in good spirits and good health.

I cannot believe that 2021 is just about over and we will be turning the page on yet another year in Prescott Valley. I am really excited because without a doubt, the year 2022 will be amazing for our community.

The Town Council, along with our new Town Manager, has been working hard over the past few months to develop a strategic plan for moving Prescott Valley forward in a great direction.

Thanks to the residents who have filled out the General Plan survey, along with those who take the time to share their thoughts and ideas with myself and other Council members.

I want everyone to know that their voices are being heard and that together our community will be better because of it. I am a strong believer that one person does not have all



of the answers and that it takes a collaborative effort to truly exceed in life.

Please join us for the Festival of Lights and Night Light Parade on Friday, December 3.

And, during the month, be sure to come by the Civic Center campus at night and take a stroll through the amazing display of Christmas lights. While you are walking around, take a moment to rejoice on the incredible community we live in and be happy for all that we have.

Whether you have lived in Prescott Valley one week or all of your life, the Town wants every one of you to be happy every day you wake up that you choose to live here.

If you have an idea or you have

experienced something amazing somewhere else that you think would be great here in Prescott Valley, please do not hesitate to reach out and share those ideas. You can email your thoughts and suggestions to [comrel@pvaz.net](mailto:comrel@pvaz.net).

As Mayor, I look at Prescott Valley as a big team. Together we are so much stronger than individuals. If we can carry this attitude forward the possibilities are certainly endless.

Remember that Santa Claus knows who has been naughty or nice, but even if you wake up with some coal in your stocking come Christmas morning, do not let that define how the next day, week, or year goes! We all have our bad days, but we all can improve.

The same applies to Prescott Valley. By recognizing challenges or mistakes from the past and working to improve, the Town will continue to be a great place to live.

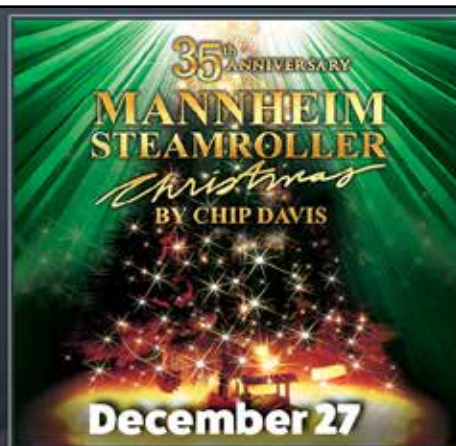
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on Monday through Saturdays 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. This service will be available to the general public, which can be used by older adults, people with disabilities and people traveling to/from work. Thereafter, the service may expand in a phased manner.

The Town invites the public to complete a short online survey about the program at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R9WTSHR>. Prescott Valley is looking to name the transit service, and the survey includes an opportunity to provide ideas.

As the process moves forward, please refer to the Town's transit webpage for periodic updates and transit related information: <https://www.pvaz.net/183/Transit-Program>.

**TAKE OUR SURVEY TODAY!**



**Public Ice Skating opens in November!** Findlay  
For tickets, event info, and ice skating schedule visit [www.FindlayToyotaCenter.com](http://www.FindlayToyotaCenter.com) TOYOTA CENTER