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Trauma Quilts for the Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department

by Linda Walker – Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department

From July 18 through 20, 2011, a Community Quilting Bee, sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, was held to make quilts for various agencies to benefit the White Mountain area. With generous help from the community, the dedicated quilters put in over 1,000 hours of quilting in a three day period. The result was a labor of love, producing hundreds of beautiful, warm, cozy quilts for people going through a difficult time in their lives.

The Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department was one of the lucky recipients of these beautiful handmade quilts. The quilts will be used as “Trauma Quilts.” Officers from the Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department will carry a quilt in their car to comfort and warm victims of auto accidents, domestic violence and other traumatic incidents. Linda Bohn and Susan Halls, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, coordinated the project with the Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department.

The quilters will never see the victims that their quilts comfort, but Chief Sherwood “Woody” Eldredge and the entire Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department would like to thank the quilters for the generous gifts that they have been presented.

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES TO PINETOP-LAKESIDE

Coldwater Farms and Candles
 25 E White Mountain Blvd
 928-358-2613

Crane Welding and Fabrication
 20 E White Mountain Blvd #A5
 928-243-6968

Mark McKinlay State Farm Agency
 1355 W White Mountain Blvd
 928-367-3203

The Christmas Tree Restaurant
 455 N Woodland Road
 928-367-3107



The B3 Business Survey Program

Local businesses have an opportunity to have their voices and opinions heard. The Town is asking all local businesses to participate in the Building Bridges to Business Program (B3). This Program allows the Town to identify and evaluate the perceptions of local businesses. The B3 program assesses the challenges and needs of local businesses.

The process is fairly simple, after your interview is scheduled, Town staff will come to your business and ask a series of survey questions. You will have already received the questionnaire via email. Town staff will gather business owner responses which are compiled into a database called Synchronist. The data is then used by Town staff to determine benchmarks on critical economic indicators, such as value, growth and satisfaction with services. The information gathered by the Town is used to better assist the business community.

It is important to the Town that every business be heard. The Town values its local businesses. If you are a local business owner and have not yet been scheduled for an interview, or would like more information regarding the program, please contact Leah Chavez, Deputy Town Clerk at 928-368-8696 ext. 223.



Records Management is a highly important part of government business.

It may not be as glamorous or exciting as many of the other facets, but it is very important in the assurance of smooth-running government. The criteria used in retaining or maintaining records is broken down into four main categories:

1. Legal Value - If the document is a contract, agreement, Federal or State Statute, then it has legal value to the Town.
2. Fiscal Value - If the document is a record pertaining to budgets, expenditure ledgers or credit card reports, then it has fiscal value to the Town.
3. Administrative Value - If the record is necessary to conduct an office’s daily business, then it has administrative value to the Town; some examples would be procedural manuals, memos, and reports.
4. Historical Records - If the record deals with the history of government and the community, then it holds historical value. Some examples of records with historical value would be land records, agency histories, Municipal Codes, resolutions, and minutes of meetings of decision-making bodies.



The Town of Pinetop-Lakeside values transparency. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of a Public Record you are encouraged to follow a few simple guidelines:

- Fill out a Public Record Request Form (this can be found on the Town website at www.ci.pinetop-lakeside.az.us) or if you do not have computer access come to the Town Clerk’s office and we will supply you with the form.
- Be as specific as possible. This will save time and expense for you and the Town.

Further information regarding Public Records can be obtained from visiting The Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records, Records Management Division at www.lib.az.us.

Check Out the Larson Memorial Public Library

The library hours changed on July 5. The new hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The library is now closed on Sunday and Monday.

We offered "Food for Fines" in September to celebrate Library Card Sign Up month. Patrons with overdue fines were able to donate canned or non-perishable food in lieu of paying cash for fines. As a result, about 150 pounds of food was split between the Love Kitchen and the Pinetop-Lakeside Senior Center.

Library fall activities include StoryTime dress-up for Halloween on October 25 & 26; and “Twas the Night before Christmas” StoryTime, December 13th & 14th. Santa will be there and it is a great photo opportunity for the parents.

There will also be our monthly book discussion.

The Friends of the Library are now meeting at the Community Presbyterian Church. The meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. on the second Monday of each month. Call 369-4519 for more information. The Friends' book sale is available during library hours.



Parks and Recreation - More Than Just Fun!

Fall brings cool nights and warm days to the White Mountains. The vegetation shows its true colors as it prepares for winter. It's a wonderful time for families to get out in the forests and enjoy nature.

The Parks and Recreation Department would first like to thank the various youth sports organizations for another successful year of providing children with the opportunity to learn and play sports. These organizations are all volunteer-based. Thanks to those who volunteer their time in a caring way – children are better off because of all of you!

The second event is our Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony to be held on Saturday, December 3, at Woodland Lake Park. The event is from 2:30 – 5:00 p.m. Local entertainment, raffles, hot chocolate and cookies, along with the lighting of our display makes it a fun afternoon for all. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be on hand for picture taking in the red and white tent – please be sure to bring your own camera for photos with Santa. Bring canned goods and receive a raffle ticket, you may possibly receive a prize. All canned goods collected will be donated to the Love Kitchen to be shared with those less fortunate in our community.



January 2012 will bring the Youth Skills Basketball Program for boys and girls grades 3 through 6. The program is held on Saturdays. Fliers will be sent to schools, and additional information and registration forms will be available at the Parks and Recreation Department, 1360 N. Niels Hansen Lane, Lakeside.

Please be sure to take some time with family and friends to experience the beautiful fall weather and colors of our forest lands.

Visit our website for any questions or if you want more information, at www.ci.pinetop-lakeside.az.us.



Our Department is now preparing for two more events this year. On Monday, October 31, we will be hosting our annual Trunk or Treat at Mountain Meadow Recreation Complex from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. This event allows our children to enjoy Halloween in a safe environment. We have 2,000+ community members each year enjoying this event. Families come dressed in costume and visit the decorated "trunks" which are manned by volunteers who hand out treats to all. If you are interested in being a "trunk," please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (928) 368-6700 extension 3.

Advertising and Promotion Committee

Group Sales

The Advertising and Promotion Committee has wrapped up the promotion of the Fall Festival and Run to the Pines. The Committee has been busy gearing up for the winter season and the winter games. The most exciting issue in regard to the Committee is the award of a contract with a Group Sales Representative. The Committee began working on a Group Sales program about two years ago. Selected members of the Committee spent considerable time meeting with Group Sales staff in both Flagstaff and Sedona to help create a workable program; the appointment of Debe Campbell was a great accomplishment for the Committee. Debe will be dedicated to promoting tourism and travel to the Pinetop-Lakeside area for groups interested in the climate, recreation and local events in the Town. The contract will focus on the leisure market, with attention given to groups to fill room nights and directing those groups to local businesses. The groups that will be the focus will be clubs, organizations, weddings, reunions, athletic competitions, and more with the objective of filling rooms. Properties inside the Town boundaries will have group leads provided to them at no cost, while those outside the Town boundaries can participate by paying a fee based on the number of rooms booked. The Committee meets the third Wednesday of every month and the public is welcome to attend the meetings.

The Advertising and Promotion Committee currently has three vacancies. If you are interested in serving on the Committee, and assisting with the Advertising and Promotion of Pinetop-Lakeside, please submit a letter of interest to Leah Chavez, Deputy Town Clerk, 1360 N. Niels Hansen Lane, Pinetop-Lakeside, AZ 85929, (928)368-8696 extension 223.

SNOW STORM INFORMATION FOR THE TOWN OF PINETOP-LAKESIDE

When snow starts to fall and accumulates to a depth of two (2) inches or more, as observed by the Town Police Department, the Town's full "snow shift" will be deployed. These crews will remain on two, 12-hour shifts for 24-hour coverage until the storm is over and all cleanup is done. The snow removal schedule is prioritized on a GREATEST IMPACT basis, with streets being plowed in the following order:

1. ARTERIAL STREETS
2. SCHOOL BUS ROUTES
3. MAJOR COLLECTORS
4. MINOR COLLECTORS
5. RESIDENTIAL STREETS
6. REMAINING STREETS

PLOWING WITHOUT LEAVING A BERM ACROSS DRIVEWAYS IS BASICALLY IMPOSSIBLE, and we are not able to stop the snow from going into driveways. It is impractical for us to change the angle of the blade to avoid driveways and if we did, snow would be left in the street. The plow operators try to keep the problem to a minimum, but when you consider the number of driveways in Town if they were to back up at each driveway to remove the berm, it would not only be very costly, but many people would not get their road plowed in a timely manner, which is our primary duty.

All residents are responsible for cleaning driveways, sidewalks, as well as the berms from their driveways and from around their mailboxes. Do not shovel the snow back onto the street as it could be dangerous. Please do not put your trash can in the road before the day of collection. Trash cans out on the road a day, or days prior to collection, may be knocked over when the plows come through to widen the road.

If you reside outside the Town limits on a county maintained road, please contact the Navajo County Roads Yard at (928) 532-6080. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is responsible for snow removal on Hwy 260, even within the Town limits. For questions or concerns regarding Town maintained roads call (928) 368-8885 extension 4. In case of emergency call 9-1-1.



Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) Program

In recent years the demands on law enforcement have increased dramatically. As a result, the already limited resources of the Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department are being stretched further than ever. In order to assist our agency, a group of citizens has stepped forward to help.

The Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) Program is a volunteer group which has been formed to help reduce and prevent crime in the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside. These volunteers have offered their time and skills to our police agencies. These citizen volunteers help supplement and support officers and civilian personnel by allowing them to concentrate on their primary duties. Volunteer roles may include performing clerical tasks, serving as an extra set of "eyes and ears", assisting with search and rescue activities, and fingerprinting citizens for various licensing requirements. They may be called upon to patrol neighborhoods, perform vacation home checks and assist at special town events. Their assistance to the community is invaluable.

The Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department is looking for a few good men and women to become part of this valuable organization. If you can contribute a few hours a week or month, please consider becoming a part of the Pinetop-Lakeside Police family. If interested please contact Linda Walker at 928-368-8803.

Christmas tree permits are now on sale at the Lakeside Ranger District, 2022 W. White Mountain Blvd., Lakeside, AZ 85929, 928-368- 2100. The cost is \$15 per permit, there is a limit of one per family, and the trees may be up to 10 feet tall. There are 5,375 permits issued this year, with 3,600 of them in the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, with four cutting areas - Lakeside, Heber-Overgaard, Alpine, and Black Mesa. The tree cutting runs from November 19 through December 25. From Thanksgiving to Christmas, the Mogollon Rim Visitor's Center will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.