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# Youngtown Business Spotlight

Each month the Town of Youngtown will be featuring some of our local businesses who make up the many wonderful, long-standing businesses that service our residents and the surrounding communities in the Northwest Valley! Please meet some of our hidden treasures right here in Youngtown!

## Reidenbach Hair Studio

Hair Studio, formerly Josephine's Barber & Beauty. I have been working in the Sun City area for over eight years and have over 25 years in the industry.

Hi my name is Ellie Reidenbach of Reidenbach I am very happy to be a shop owner in the Youngtown area. I look forward to growing a diverse salon with stylists and barbers with many talents. I and my staff Ivan, Donna and Violetta look forward to

servicing the residents of the Youngtown and Sun City area for years to come. To make an appointment, please contact us at 623-815-5239, or visit us at 13226 N. 111th Avenue.









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# Comment from the Mayor...

# Life Is Good in Youngtown

By HONORABLE MICHAEL LeVAULT MAYOR TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN

Government exists to enhance quality of life. We choose to live in certain municipalities and neighborhoods based on our perceptions of how our lives would be impacted by living there. Public policy decisions by government drive our perceptions of our towns and neighborhoods. So, how is Youngtown doing; what is its state or condition and how is it impacting our lives?

Youngtown's premier asset is its location. Half way between the 101 and 303 freeways and nestled between Grand Avenue on the north and Olive Avenue on the south, Youngtown provides easy access to world-class amenities in downtown Phoenix and

surrounding communities without sacrificing its easy 'small-town' ambiance.

After a hard day at work or play, we come home to a very safe community thanks to excellent law enforcement by the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) and quick responses to fire and medical emergencies by the Sun City Fire and Medical Department (SCFMD). Our on-going relationship with newly elected Sheriff Penzone and the command officers of District 3 assures us that MCSO service levels will continue to be excellent. A new, state-ofthe-art fire station scheduled to be completed and brought on-line later this fall, in Youngtown, will assure continued excellent response times to fire and medical emergencies.

Thanks to a rolling five year maintenance

program, developed by our public works department, the streets, roads and alleys, in Youngtown, are in excellent condition. Recent improvements, like the Peoria Avenue straightening, at the north entrance to Agua Fria Ranch, continue to enhance mobility and safety. Additional street lights to be erected, later this year, along the Agua Fria Parkway and in neighborhoods in the older sections of Youngtown will enhance security and safety in our neighborhoods. Youngtown's involvement in projects like improving Grand Avenue and the construction

A well run library and several parks, along with the new bike/ped path recently constructed on the south side of Peoria Avenue, offer residents

of the Northern Parkway

help assure enhanced

regional transportation.

lots of opportunity for recreation. Projected construction of some 80,000 linear feet of sidewalks in the older neighborhoods of Youngtown, over the next couple of years, will encourage residents to safely interact with each other in their neighborhoods while enhancing the perception of Youngtown as a truly walkable community. Several new recreational projects, already in the works, are designed to further enhance recreational assets and opportunities.

We continue to cultivate a fertile commercial environment with programs like our commercial façade improvement grant program which is gaining momentum and showing some very positive results throughout the town. Our commercial real estate vacancy rate is low with several new businesses having recent-

ly located in Youngtown and we continue to work with commercial prospects looking to make Youngtown their home. Our streamlined governmental processes make us one of the easiest municipalities to work with.

Youngtown is financially stable with a strong rainy-day fund, no debt and fiscal policies designed to weather any storm while our tax burden on residents remains among the lightest in the Valley.

So, what is the state or condition of your town? It's pretty darned good—fiscally stable while constantly looking for ways to further enhance quality of life.

Life is good in Youngtown!

This is a lightly edited reprint of an article that first appeared in the May, 2017 Youngtown Village Reporter.





Mayor Michael LeVault



Vice Mayor Charles Vickers



Councilmember Jack Duran

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

Council Meeting 5:30 p.m. Aug. 16 Youngtown Council Chambers Council Meeting
5:30 p.m. Sept. 6
Youngtown Council Chambers

Citizens' Dog Park of Youngtown Meeting 10:30 a.m. Sept. 15 Youngtown Clubhouse



Councilmember Margaret Chittenden

Councilmember Judy Johnson



Councilmember June Miller



Councilmember Susan Hout

### TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS/MEETINGS

**DATE**: June 28, 2018 **TIME**: 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Town Council Chambers, 12033 N. Clubhouse Square

A. Approval of Resolution 18-13 to approve and accept as the final budget for the North Youngtown Street Lighting Improvement District (NYT SLID) for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 the annual statements and estimates of the expenses of the NYT SLID for Fiscal Year 2018-2019, as approved by the Youngtown Town Council by Resolution 18-09, which shall be provided for by levy and collection of equal apportionment of taxes based on the number and classification of property within the district, pursuant to Section 48-616, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended, and to set a date for July 12, 2018 for ordering that the tax be fixed, levied, and assessed.

**DATE**: June 12, 2018

**TIME**: 7 p.m.

PLACE: Town Council Chambers,

12033 N. Clubhouse Square

A. Approval of CFD Resolution 18-14 of the District Board of the Agua Fria Ranch Community Facilities District, ordering that an ad valorem tax be fixed, levied and assessed on the assessed value of all the real and personal property within the boundaries of the District in amounts specified in the filed statements and estimates for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; providing for certified copies of this Resolution and order to be delivered to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors and the Arizona Department of Revenue; and providing that this Resolution shall be effective after its passage and approval according to law.

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# Youngtown Mayor, Council AND Staff Bring Quality Events for Youngtown Residents to Enjoy!

We all love the sunshine, but as the thermometer continues to creep up, many of us go on vacation or stay indoors to avoid the heat! When the temperatures are cooler, the Town works hard to bring you fun family events for everyone to enjoy! We

have been busy but wanted to share some of the pictures from our 2nd annual Easter Egg Hunt that was held in the Spring. We had an Easter Egg hunt, face painting, Cody making fantastic balloon figures and Peter Cottontail. May thanks to Peter Cottontail

and all of the wonderful families who came out to share in the festivities. We look forward to seeing you all at our G.A.I.N. event in October and our Winter Miracle event in December and next Spring for our 3rd annual Easter Egg Hunt!









## **NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY**

To submit your article, e-mail it to: jamieboyett@cox.net The right to accept or reject material rests with the publication editor

# Youngtown Public Library News...

Hello from your staff, volunteers and friends at to request books or videos. Youngtown Library! We have lots of ways to make your hot summer a bit more refreshing. When the kids go back to school, come in and enjoy our reading areas with newspapers, magazines, new books, and Wi-fi access.

We are open from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 7 p.m. Thursdays, and 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

#### **August Celebrations:**

Week long celebrations include:

Week 1 National Clown Week

Week 2 Elvis Week, National Apple Week

Daily celebrations include:

Aug. 4th: Chocolate Chip Cookie Day

Aug. 5th: National Friend Day Aug. 9th: Book Lover's Day Aug. 13th: Left Handers Day Aug. 18th: Honey Bee Awareness Aug. 26th: National Dog Day

Let us know what you would like us to add to our collection. We have a "Wish List" for patrons

See our "Friends of the Library" Sale section to purchase gently used paperbacks, hard cover books, and DVD's.

#### **Library Services:**

The Youngtown Public Library is your information resource! We offer:

- FREE WI-FI
- FREE use of 6 Public Computers
- FREE DVD rental chose from over 1,100
- FREE Resume' Assistance
- FREE Tax Forms
- FREE Chilton Auto Repair Manuals
- FREE Legal Forms
- FREE Career Information
- FREE Genealogy/Ancestry resources
- FREE National Geographic
- Copies \$ .15 each, Color copies \$.50 each

#### **Book Club**

Come join the Book Club every third Friday of the month. The next meeting is Friday, Aug. 17th at 10:00 a.m. in the Library.

#### **Craft Corner**

The Craft Corner meets every Monday night from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Youngtown Clubhouse. Bring any craft or hobby and join the

#### **Storytime**

Storytime will be held on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. All ages are welcome!

#### **Library Hours:**

Regular Library hours are Monday - Wednesday, and Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### **Location:**

Both the Library and Museum are located in Clubhouse Square, between Alabama and Youngtown Avenues, just west of 112th Avenue.

For additional information about the Library, Museum, or history of Youngtown, check us out on the Youngtown website, www.youngtownaz. org, under "Our Services," or call 623-974-3401.

# Library Activities



Left, Kyle enjoying the "Welcome" song at **Story Time** 

Right, Bench made from a crib and donated by Donna Richardson & **Dale Kuiath** 



## Friends of the Youngtown Library

BIG BAG SALE!

Greetings from the Friends of the Library. We have enjoyed the rain downpours, but it remains hot, hot, hot! We are all staying indoors where we can read lots of books. So, come to the Youngtown Public Library and restock your shelves from our huge \$5.00 a bag Book Sale. You can fill a shopping bag from our large

selection of hardback and soft cover books, and VHS tapes too. All proceeds benefit our own Youngtown Public Library.

Please mark your calendar and join us for the next Friends of the Library meeting on Friday, September 21st at 9:00 a.m. in the Youngtown Clubhouse. Membership is only \$10.00 per year and it helps support our Library.



# CONGRATULATIONS to Youngtown's 2018 Citizens' Academy Graduates



The Town of Youngtown would like to congratulate the 5th Citizens' Academy Graduates. We had a fabulous time engaging with citizens that participated in the nine-week session.





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# Citizens' Dog Park of Youngtown Update...

News You Can Use: Canine Happenings at the Dog Park!



"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened."

-Anatole France

Summer is upon us – a great time to get out and take a walk with your favorite four-legged friend. Visit the dog park and play ball, throw a frisbee, meet other dog lovers, and most of all socialize with your neighbor. Enjoy this great feature in Youngtown morning and evening. If you have to walk your dog on the hot sidewalk or street, please consider the time of day and if necessary, Paw Cooling Covers are available to be purchased.

Due to the monsoon storms, the umbrellas are being removed until mid-September.



Sun City Resident Sandy enjoying the park with her rescue pet, Daisy Mae!

We are very grateful for all of the donations we have received. You may continue to drop off your donations at the following locations: Koppy's Body Shop, Town Tobacco, and the Youngtown Library and Town Hall Office, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CITIZENS' DOG PARK
OF YOUNGTOWN
Hours of Operation
6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
NW corner of Alabama & 113th Aves.
For Information & Donations
623-974-9756

Once again, just a friendly reminder to make sure your pet is wearing a collar and identification tag that is up-to-date and visible at all times. Be sure to identify a neighbor or friend who could help you and your pets in case of an emergency!

Please pick up after your pets, other dog owners are having to pick up after yours. If you brush your dog in the park, please pick up the fur. Thank you for using the Park and being respectful of the Rules and Regulations.

The Board meetings are always open to the public and we would love to hear your ideas and suggestions for events, fundraisers and dog park projects. The next meeting is scheduled for September 15th. We are in the process of planning for the Pet Safety table for the G.A.I.N. Event which will be held on October 27, 2018.

# DOGGIE TIDBITS "WHAT NOSE AROUND COMES AROUND"

Children and dogs are as necessary to the welfare of the country as Wall Street and the railroads.

– Harry S. Truman

# Youngtown Community Fund



We lend durable medical equipment to residents of El Mirage, Peoria, Surprise and Youngtown **Youngtown Community Fund Inc.** 11215A W. Nevada Ave.. Youngtown AZ 85363

Phone: 623-977-4661

Did you know that there is a place in Youngtown where you can borrow a walker, wheelchair or even a shower chair? It's FREE! The Youngtown Community Fund, located 11215-A W. Nevada Avenue, is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to Noon ready to loan one of these items or maybe another one of our large inventory of items for temporary use. There is no charge for the service, however, we welcome donations. We serve residents of Youngtown, El

Have a few hours to assist Mary, Darlene and Ben in the office? Stop by and talk with them about how you might be able to help. Maybe you like to make phone calls, talk with clients, help with cleaning equipment, repair equipment or even write press releases for the newspapers in the area.

Mirage, Surprise and Peoria.

When you hear the clients say how much the service means to them, it makes you happy you are part of the program. We are so thankful for the group who saw the need back in the 60's and started the Youngtown Community Fund and the many who have supported it

all these years. The need continues to grow. A few of the written Thank You notes:

"I would like to say that I am one of those appreciate people. Not to mention that your staff is most gracious and kind." D.C.

"This service is wonderful. "AK

"Thanks for all you do!" CM

"Want to thank you for the services when I fell and broke my hip last year. Really appreciate it very much." BC

"Just to say THANK YOU." Catherine

"To the entire group. Bless you all. You are a bunch of angels." Laughead

"Please accept our donation to keep you most needed services going. We do appreciate the use of this equipment." MM (daughter of a client)

"Last year your generous organization lent a wheelchair to my mother. It made a great difference in her life and meant she could be moved about much more easily than with just a walker." MS

Thank you to all of you who donate to help the Fund stay in operation. We carefully budget our funds,



Former long time Board members and clients who have used our walkers and more, Jim and Ethel Geisler.

but it costs a lot to keep the lights on and the doors open.

Stop by and check out the Medical Lending Center at the Youngtown Community Fund, Inc. at 11215-A West Nevada Ave., Youngtown Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to Noon, or you can contact us at 623-977-4661.

Check out our web page: www. YoungtownCommunityFund.com.











# *In the Works...*



MARTY MOSBRUCKER Public Works Manager

The monsoon storms have arrived in the valley. Every year we look forward to the much needed rain. Along with the rain, we often experience high wind speeds that can cause damage to

rooftops and topple over trees. The Court Administration building and Library suffered minor roof damage which was promptly repaired. Except for a large mesquite tree in the Community Garden, which lost a large branch, the tree pruning and thinning in the Town parks seemed to spare the trees from toppling over or causing any major damage. Expect to see more major tree pruning in Uribe Park and Caliche Park. The palm trees at Maricopa Lake will be pruned. This fall, the trees in Greer Park will receive

major pruning.

Maricopa Lake will have a few projects performed in the near future. On the east side of the lake, approximately 180 tons of granite will be installed to cover the thin areas. The lake has a path around the perimeter of the water that many people use when they fish the lake. The path is separated from the grass and the granite sections by a steel landscape border. The steel landscape border will be removed and poured extruded concrete curbing will be installed. The Town sidewalk project will

include a sidewalk around the perimeter of the lake. The probable design of the sidewalk will provide for a meandering walkway through the park in order to take advantage of the beauty of the lake, the trees and the park.

The Citizens' Dog Park of Youngtown will be resurfaced with new sod. When the park was initially built, the park soil was in poor condition with an infestation of burr weeds. The reason for the new sod is to start with a clean slate in order to have healthy turf

without the infestation of burr weeds that attach to dog hair. Before the new sod will be installed, the surface will be leveled to provide for a safe surface. Additionally, before the new sod is installed, an herbicide and neutralizer will be applied to the soil in order to kill any weeds that may survive the leveling treatment. With the new sod, we anticipate many years of beautiful turf conditions.

A restroom will be built in the Community Garden. The Community Garden located on 114th Drive, just north of Peoria Avenue, has become quite the popular gathering spot for good conversation and fun on Saturday evenings. The restroom will be built by this fall in order to accommodate the ever increasing usage of this wonderful Town amenity. This Town amenity is a great example of community volunteerism, as it was primarily completed and is presently maintained almost exclusively by volunteers.

Until next month, keep smiling and we will see you around Town.

## **Facade Improvement Program**

The Facade Improvement Program was implemented four years ago to provide funds to businesses or property owners to enhance and restore their storefronts.

These noticeable improvements help to attract customers, leverage private investment from owners, and inspire improvements to neighboring buildings.

Funds are provided to reimburse the participant after the project is completed and does not have to be repaid. The Facade Improvement Program includes:

- Exterior painting, cleaning, or façade repair
  - Exterior veneer
  - Plants and landscaping
  - Doors and windows
- Façade and display window lighting
- Addition of a patio or outdoor
- Consideration of exterior signage and parking lots/striping based on complete package.

If you need additional information, please feel free to contact Nicole Smart at 623-933-8286, or via email at nsmart@youngtownaz.org.

## AARP News...

This has been our first year with summer meetings and it has been a great success. Come join a fun group of people at the AARP Historic Chapter #1 monthly meetings held the first Friday of the month at 5:00 p.m. at the Youngtown Clubhouse and Council Chambers. Enjoy a wonderful Potluck dinner and share some time in a friendly environment and hear about items of interest to our generation. The meeting lasts about an hour and a half. The cost to join AARP is just \$5.00 per year and you must be a national AARP member.

We have some great upcoming events and would love to have you assist in many areas. Our first big event is the Shred-a-Thon to be held on October 6th in the Town parking lot. Our next scheduled event will be the Health & Wellness Festival in February 2019. Watch for more information.

For questions regarding AARP, please contact Jay Lickus at 623-734-5438.

# CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

#### **AARP Board**

MEET: 3rd Tuesday of the month 4:30 p.m.
Jay Lickus – 623-734-5438

### AARP CHAPTER 1

MEET: 1st Friday of the month 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Jay Lickus – 623-734-5438

# Real Possibilities

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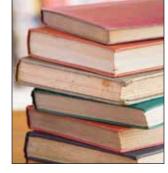
## AGUA FRIA RANCH HOA

MEET: 2nd Wednesday of the month 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. OFF: August

Ogden & Company/Jackie Monty 623-628-4708

# BOOK DISCUSSION CLUB

MEET: 3rd Friday of the month 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Meets in the Youngtown Library Heidi Speed – 623-974-3401



#### **CRAFT CORNER**

Meet: every Monday 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Betty Trollen – 623-974-9130

#### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

MEET: every other month on the 3rd Friday 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. OFF: July Teresa Felton – 760-415-5446

#### OPEN PAINTING-ALL MEDIUMS WELCOME

MEET: every Monday 9:00 a.m. - Noon Beverly Meers – 972-5145

#### WOOD CARVERS CLUB

MEET: every Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - Noon Terry Damato – 623-933-2426





# YOUNGTOWN ART COMMISSION

MEET: 4th Wednesday of the month 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. OFF: June, July and August

Val Wilson – 623-810-3137

#### YOUNGTOWN COMMUNITY FUND

MEET: 4th Wednesday of the month 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
OFF: June, July, August
Madelon Jeffreys – 623-977-4661

#### YOUNGTOWN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

MEET: every Wednesday 10:30 a.m. - Noon

OFF: June, July, August Madelon Jeffreys – 623-583-8047







# YOUR LAST CHANCE TO PLAY FOR

# SATURDAY, AUGUST 25 AT DESERT DIAMOND WEST VALLEY CASINO

You're on your way to a chance at winning the \$1,000,000 grand prize in Vegas! Start earning drawing entries August 23 to qualify for a seat at the TournEvent of Champions<sup>®</sup>. Get one entry daily by swiping your Rewards Card at the promotional kiosk or get one point for every five points earned through play.

**LAST CHANCE DRAWING**August 25 | 1:30PM | 5 Winners

Where jackpots hit close to home.

See Rewards Center for details. Desert Diamond West Valley Casino Rewards Card necessary to participate. Must be 21 to enter bars and gaming areas. Management reserves the right to alter/cancel without notice. Grand Prize awarded using periodic payments over 20 years. Please play responsibly. An Enterprise of the Tohono O'odham Nation.

