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TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

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MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER



Parking Improvements to Boulder Loop Trail Access Point:

Of the many different trails you will find around Payson that vary in complexity, Boulder Loop Trail has become a popular option for a family day out or a peaceful stroll in the woods. Over the years, parking has been limited, raising concerns about traffic congestion and emergency access. In an effort to improve parking, approximately 30 parking places have been established along the roadway's edge (public right of way) near the end of Phoenix Street. To facilitate easy access to the trailhead, new signs have been installed to advise where to park on the improved surface. The cul-de-sac will remain a no-parking zone, with freshly placed signage ensuring emergency access to the trailhead area and reducing traffic congestion.

The Town of Payson and the National Forest Service continue to work together on a future project to build a new trail head for access to these trails, on Granite Dells Road. This project will take sometime to complete, as the trails must first become recognized trails within the US Forest Service system.

MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

Here are some things to remember if you decide to visit Boulder Trail:

Know the regulations and special concerns for the area you'll visit.

Prepare for extreme weather, hazards, and emergencies.

Dispose of Waste Properly.

Pack it in, pack it out. Pack out all trash, leftover food, and litter.

Respect Wildlife

Observe wildlife from a distance. Do not follow or approach them.

Never feed animals. Feeding wildlife damages their health, alters natural behaviors, and exposes them to predators and other dangers.

Control pets at all times, or leave them at home.

Avoid wildlife during sensitive times: The rut, nesting, raising young, or winter.

Be Considerate of Other Visitors and the surrounding neighborhood

Respect other visitors and protect the quality of their experience.

Be courteous.

-Troy Smith, Town Manager



Boulder Trail Access Point



Not the Access Point

Check trailer chains.



Watch for sparks.



Drown your fire.



Avoid dry grass.



YOU CAN HELP!



ONE LESS SPARK 
ONE LESS WILDFIRE

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Parks and Recreation is thrilled to Welcome their new hire, Kaitlin Henning! Kaitlin will be joining the team as a Senior Recreation Coordinator focusing on Special Events. Kaitlin has a Business Management Degree from Southern Utah University and was a college athlete. Kaitlin is looking forward to providing amazing Special Events for the community.



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

T-Ball/Coach Pitch registration is open.



\$35 FEE

**REGISTRATION OPENS
MONDAY, APRIL 17TH, 2023
REGISTRATION ENDS TUESDAY, MAY 16TH, 2023**

FIRST GAME: SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD, 2023
LAST GAME: SATURDAY, JULY 29TH, 2023

OPEN DIVISIONS Parent-tot T-ball Ages 4 & 5
Coach Pitch Ages 6 - 8

COACHES NEEDED!

COACHES MEETING: MAY 19TH, 2023

TO REGISTER OR VOLUNTEER VISIT
WWW.PAYSONPARKS.COM



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Senior Softball Classic Tournament registration is open.



JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL MEN'S SENIOR SOFTBALL CLASSIC
SEPTEMBER 7TH & 8TH
POSSIBILITY OF GAMES SEPTEMBER 9TH WITH ENOUGH REGISTERED TEAMS

— LOCATED AT RUMSEY PARK —

DIVISIONS: 60-69 | 70+
FEE PER TEAM: \$325 WITH A 5 GAME GUARANTEE

EACH PLAYER WILL RECEIVE A TOURNAMENT SHIRT.
WINNING TEAMS IN BOTH DIVISIONS WILL ALSO RECEIVE A CHAMPIONSHIP HOODIE.
TEAMS MUST SUBMIT THEIR SENIOR SOFTBALL CLASSIFICATION.

CONTACT PARKS & RECREATION TO REGISTER AT 928-472-5110
WWW.PAYSONRIMCOUNTRY.COM/TOURNAMENTS

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Wildlife Fair 2023.

HOSTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT
US FOREST SERVICE



PAYSON PARKS & RECREATION

WILDLIFE FAIR

MAY 6TH, 2023 @ 9AM - 3PM

LOCATED AT GREEN VALLEY PARK

— WWW.PAYSONRIMCOUNTRY.COM —

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

JOIN US FOR THE GROUNDBREAKING OF RECONSTRUCTION ON MUSTANG PARK NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

MUSTANG PARK

Groundbreaking

MAY 13TH, 2023 @ 10AM



WATER DEPARTMENT

FREE ELECTRONIC & HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE RECYCLING EVENT

Event is limited to Gila County households only. No commercial hazardous waste will be accepted.

When: **Saturday May 20, 2023**

Where: **Payson Public Library**
328 N McLane Road
Payson, AZ 85541
(In the Parking Lot)

Time: **7 — 11 a.m.**

For more information,
928-472-5136 or 928-472-5106

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

- Biohazardous or Infectious Waste
- Compressed Gas Cylinders (Propane OK)
- CRT (box-style) Televisions/Monitors
- Explosives
- Home Appliances (Big or Small)
- Radioactive Waste
- Smoke Alarms

HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD ITEMS ACCEPTED:

- Acids
- Adhesives
- Aerosol Cans
- Ammunition
- Auto Batteries
- Batteries
- Fire Extinguishers
- Fluorescent Lights
- Fuel & Other Fluids
- Helium balloon tanks
- Herbicides
- Inhalers
- Household Cleaners
- Lawn & Garden Products
- Medical Sharps
- Medication/Pharmaceuticals
- Mercury-Containing Items
- Motor Oil
- Paints
- Passenger Tires Without Rims
- Pesticides
- Propane Tanks
- Solvents

Household Products

Labeled:

- Caution
- Combustible
- Corrosive
- Danger
- Flammable
- Poison
- Toxic
- Warning

ELECTRONIC ITEMS ACCEPTED:

- Amplifiers
- Audio Equipment
- Cables & Connections
- Cameras
- Computer Equipment & Accessories
- DVD Blu-Ray Players
- DVRs-Direct TV, Tivo
- LCD Flat Screen TV's
- Monitors
- Phones
- Satellite Receivers
- Speakers & Microphones
- Tablets
- VCRs
- Video Cameras
- Video Gaming Equipment



WATER DEPARTMENT

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY TRAFFIC ROUTE



Location: Rumsey Park

Date: May 20, 2023

Time: 7-11AM

All Rumsey Park Facilities except the North Soccer Fields will be closed May 20, 2023 from 7-11AM.

Rumsey Park Closed Facilities:

Payson Library

Baseball Fields & Basketball Courts

Pickleball & Tennis Courts

Dog Park

For more information: 928-472-5136



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

March 23-April 10 a Neighborhood community cleanup event was held. All three local roll off providers were used to help provide this service. Nine (9) Roll offs were placed in neighborhoods around town. Plan to do additional clean ups in June!

2 – 40 YARD DUMPSTERS AT MUSTANG PARK ON ROUNDUP

1 - 40 YARD DUMSTER AT MEADOW / LONGHORN

2 – 40 YARD DUMPSTERS AT ST PHILLIPS CHURCH

1 – 40 YARD DUMPSTER AT OVERCOMERS CHURCH

3- 40 YARD DUMPSTERS AT GREEN VALLEY PARK



TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT



Town Clerk ,Tracie Bailey, met with Gila County Election Officials and Secretary of State Adrian Fontes on April 19, 2023 to discuss upcoming elections. Discussion focused on voter education and election processes.



PAYSON LIBRARY

Payson Public Library

328 N McLane Rd, Payson, AZ 85541; 928-474-9260
www.paysonaz.gov/departments/library.org

April 2023

Join Payson Public Library's **Tween & Teen Council**
 - ages 10 - 17 years old! **Make your voice heard!**

JOIN
 LIBRARY
 FRIENDS
 OF
 PAYSON!



Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Summer Reading Program !!! May 27 to July 15, 2023! Reading, Foam Party, Pizza, BBQ, Hot Dogs, Treats, Gaming, Roblox, Slime, Solar Energy & Eclipse, Rocks, STEAM, Garden, Coding, Website Building, Photography, Chess & More!				NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK April 23-29, 2023		Reader's Theater! Make Reading an Adventure! 1:00 pm 	Passover April 5-13, 2023
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
	Sit & Stitch 2:30 pm 	Storytime with Toddlers 10:30 am 	Storytime with Babies 10:30 am Practice Spanish 11:30 am	Line Dancing at the Library! 1:30-3:30 pm	What is Easter? Find out and make an Easter Rice Krispie Nest Treat! Sign-Up 1:00 pm 	Library Closed	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
	Sit & Stitch 1:30 pm	Storytime with Toddlers 10:30 am Line Dancing! Beginners 1:30-2 Intermediate 2-3	Storytime with Babies 10:30 am Practice Spanish 11:30 am	Line Dancing at the Library! 1:30-3:30 pm	MONEY SMART WEEK CELEBRATION! Be Smart About Money! Entire Family - Sign-Up 1:00 pm MONEY SMART WEEK APRIL 18-21, 2023		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
Sit & Stitch 1:30 pm Library Friends of Payson Meeting 10:00 am	Storytime with Toddlers 10:30 am Line Dancing! Beginners 1:30-2 Intermediate 2-3 Tax Day Deadline!	Storytime with Babies 10:30 am Practice Spanish 11:30 am Rim Country Readers Book Club - 10:00 am	Line Dancing at the Library! 1:30-3:30 pm	Join us for Minerals & Fluorescent! Come and see minerals Glow! Entire Family - Sign-Up 1:00 pm 	Make Roller Coasters! Explore Gravity, Motion and Energy 12:00 Noon Happy Earth Day!		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
	Sit & Stitch 1:30 pm National Library Week! Come & Celebrate with a Book Shaped Chocolate treat!	Storytime with Toddlers 10:30 am Line Dancing! Beginners 1:30-2 Intermediate 2-3	Storytime with Babies 10:30 am Practice Spanish 11:30 am	Line Dancing at the Library! 1:30-3:30 pm	Rex Lace Part 2 - Learn how to make or start a new Keychain! 1:00 pm Sign-Up 	Earth Day	
30	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Sit & Stitch 1:30 pm	Storytime with Toddlers 10:30 am Line Dancing Beginners 1:30-2 Intermediate 2-3	Storytime with Babies 10:30 am Practice Spanish 11:30 am	Learn Origami - Make Flowers and Animals! Entire Family - Sign-Up 1:00 pm 				

End of Report
Next Report: May 10, 2023

