

DATE: April 19, 2024
TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Tom Whitmer, Acting City Manager
SUBJECT: Acting City Manager's Report – Week Ending – 04/19/2024



Public Works – Expect overnight lane restrictions on St. Route 260. The Arizona Department of Transportation advises area drivers to plan for overnight lane restrictions on State Route 260 in Cottonwood from Sunday evening, April 14, through Saturday morning, April 20 from approximately 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. The restrictions are needed so crews can safely begin the first phase of pavement repairs along this section of SR 260 by removing the top pavement surface. Additional overnight and daytime work will take place in May when the final pavement surface is placed.

SHOP Cottonwood Newsletter – The latest issue of the SHOP Cottonwood Newsletter for 2024 was distributed on April 17, 2024 by the Tourism & Economic Development Department. We look forward to continuing to provide informative material for our local businesses and the community at large. To read this week's issue or to subscribe to receive future issues, please visit <https://mailchi.mp/0e49ec18daed/shopcottonwood>.

Library – The Cottonwood Public Library proudly hosted a Skateboarding program on April 17th as part of the "Get Out" initiative. Thanks to generous support from the ALA and the Arizona Center for Rural Health, we provided 9 tweens and teens with the basics of skateboarding. Our program not only supplied participants with top-notch skateboards, helmets and pads but also delivered an introductory lesson on skateboarding. Led by Paula Valenzuela, our Youth Engagement and Media Lab Specialist, in collaboration with Skate Rat Board Shop, a new local skateboarding hub, this initiative offered an opportunity for skill-building and camaraderie!

Library Book Sale – Bookmarks - Friends of the Cottonwood Library Spring Book Sale! Join the Friends of the Cottonwood Library on Wednesday, April 24, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. for their Spring book sale. All books in our Boutique will be half off the marked price. As a bonus for this sale, we will feature selected hardback books for 50 cents. Just look for the red dot for this price. This always popular sale is open to the public and is made possible by your generous donations of gently read books. Shelves are restocked all day to ensure something to please all shoppers. Please see attached flyer.

Cottonwood Youth Center – The Cottonwood Youth Center's After School Program took a field trip to Eco Farm here in Cottonwood. The kids were able to help gather chicken and duck eggs, clean and package them. They also harvested garlic greens out of the green house. They helped to get all of these items ready to sell at the Farm's upcoming Earth Day celebration. The kids were also able to feed and mingle with the chickens and pet the goats. Please see attached photos

Cottonwood's Vintage Run – Early online registration for the 2024 Cottonwood's Vintage Run closed on April 17th and we are pleased to report an increase in registered participants as compared to 2023. Currently we have 503 participants registered and in 2023 we had 366 participants. For those who would like to participate, but missed the deadline for online registration; we will still be taking registrations in-person on race day, April 20, at Riverfront Park. Please visit runcottonwood.com for more information. Please see attached flyer.

Old Town Music and the Market – The Parks & Recreation Department is pleased to announce the return of the Old Town Music and the Market! Starting May 10th, we will host the Market in Old Town Cottonwood every Friday in May, June, and September from 5 p.m. until dark. We have a great lineup of musical talent for the 2024 season and we look forward to hosting a large selection of vendors as well! Please visit

oldtownmusicandthemarket.org to download a vendor application or for more information. Please see attached flyers.

Community Development: Historic Preservation Commission – The Historic Preservation Commission will meet on April 24, 2024 at 6:00 PM at City Council Chambers –Riverfront. We also received Thank You letters from grateful residents of Cottonwood. Please see attachment.

City Beautification Recognition Program – The City of Cottonwood Community Development Department is now accepting nominations for the 2024 Beautification Recognition Award Program. Local businesses that have been in operation for one year or more and exhibit landscaping that enhances the local beauty of the area are eligible to be nominated. Their landscaping will be judged on overall appearance, curb appeal, and use of native plants. Businesses can be self-nominated, or nominated by anyone in the community, by completing the online form at <https://cottonwoodaz.gov/798/Beautification-Recognition-Program-2024>. All interested persons are encouraged to nominate local businesses through our website until April 30, 2024. Please see attached flyer.

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Attachments:

Pictures (3) –Skateboarding Group

Flyer -Book Sale

Flyer – CYC Eco Farm

Flyer – Vintage Run

Flyer – OTMM

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Letters of Appreciation – Community Development

Flyer – Beautification Recognition Nominations







Bookmarks' Friends of the Library

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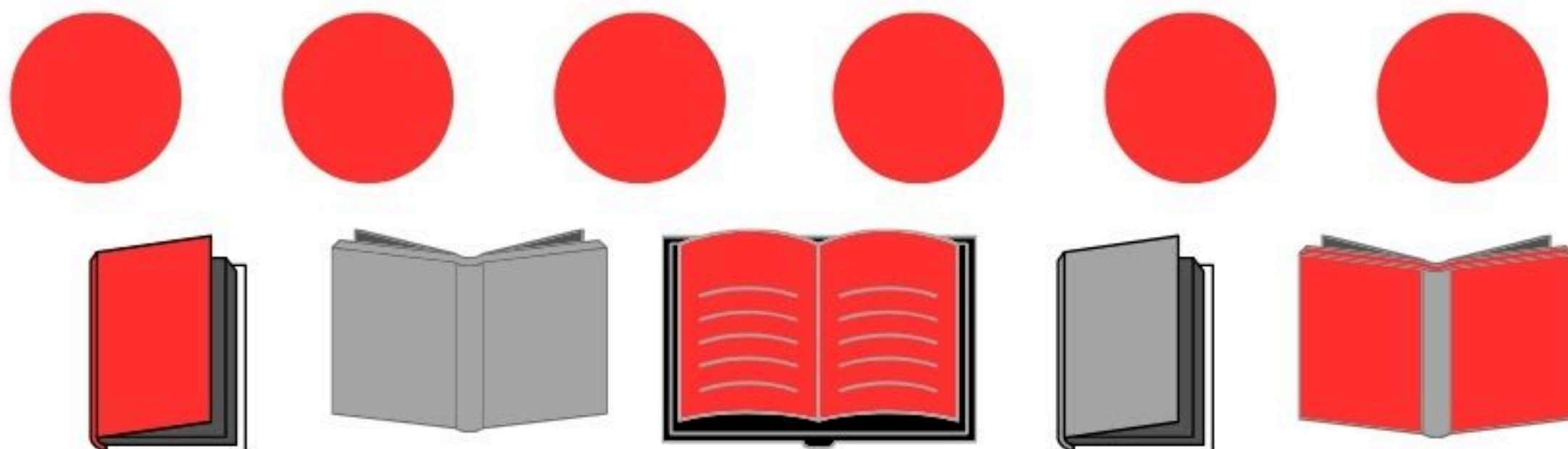
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9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

BONUS SALE

All Hardcover Fiction \$.50 each

Look for the Red Dots



All Proceeds Support Cottonwood Public Library





COTTONWOOD'S VINTAGE RUN

2024 FEE SCHEDULE

	JANUARY - FEBRUARY 29	MARCH 1 - APRIL 17	RACE DAY (APRIL 20)
1/2 MARATHON	\$55	\$65	\$75
10K RUN	\$35	\$45	\$55
5K FUN RUN	\$35	\$45	\$55
2 MILE	\$25	\$30	\$35

* TO BE GUARANTEED A RACE T-SHIRT, PLEASE REGISTER BY MARCH 22, 2024.

** CUTOFF FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION IS 12PM ON APRIL 17.

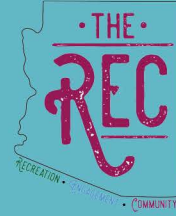
*** NO REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED APRIL 18-19.

REGISTER ONLINE AT RUNCOTTONWOOD.COM





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**MARKETS ARE HELD AT THE OLD TOWN ACTIVITY PARK
ON FRIDAYS IN MAY, JUNE, AND SEPTEMBER
FROM 5 PM TIL DARK**



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**HAVE QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT TRAVIS WILSON
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2024 MUSICAL LINEUP

MAY 10 SWEET BABY RAY & S.E. WILLIS

MAY 17 WELL DRESSED WOLVES

MAY 24 TOUCAN EDDY

MAY 31 HIM & ME

JUNE 7 SUGAR MOON

**JUNE 14 SHAWN MICHAEL PERRY
FEAT. ONLY THE BRAVE**

JUNE 21 ROOM ZERO

JUNE 28 MENAGERIE

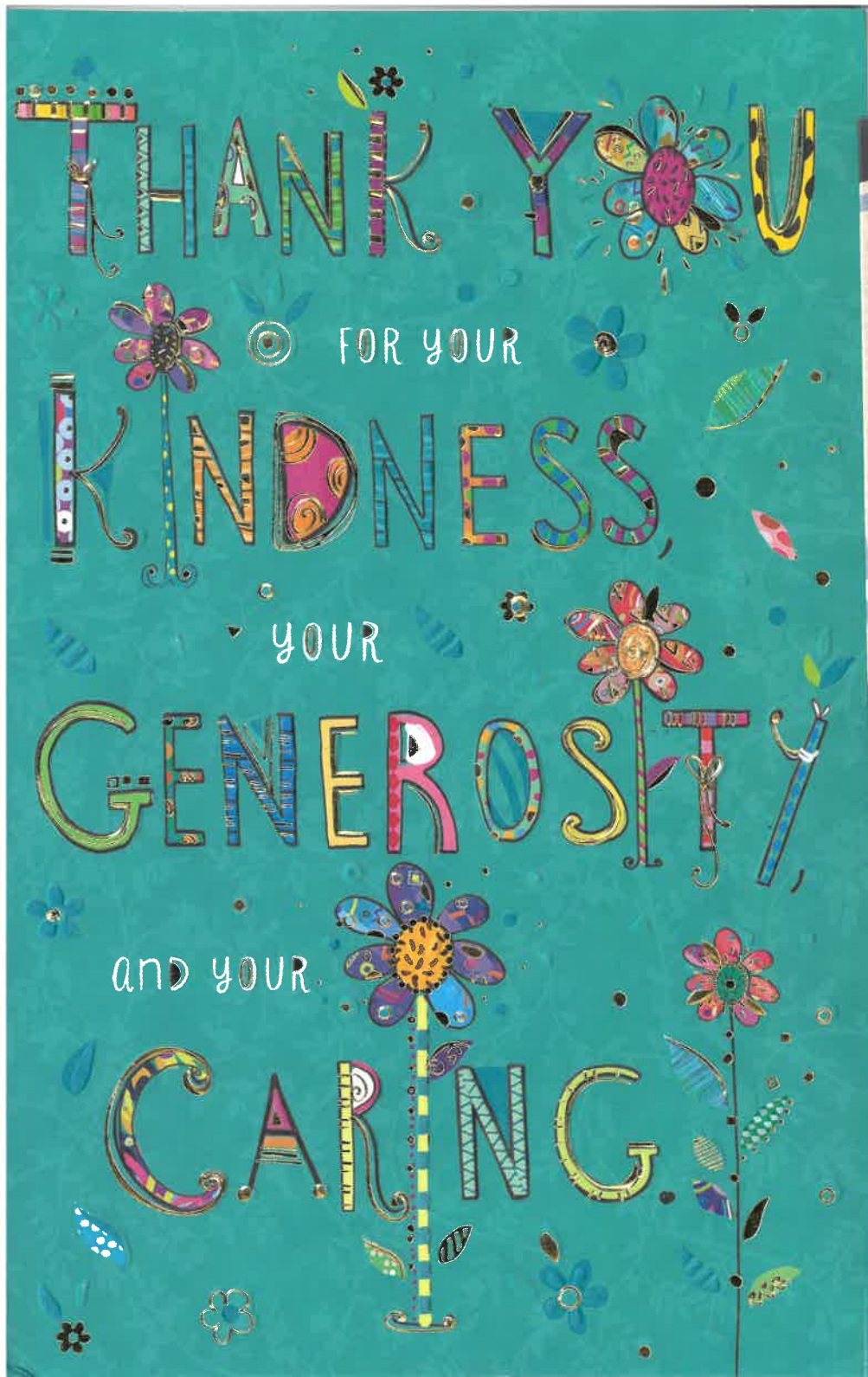
SEPT. 6 SISTER & THE SUN

SEPT. 13 LOCAL HONEY

SEPT. 27 THUNDER & LIGHTNIN'



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City of Cottonwood
"Inspiring a Vibrant Community"

Beautification Recognition Program

We'd love to recognize commercial property owners in the Cottonwood city limits for their beautiful & well-maintained properties!

**Have you recently made landscape improvements to your commercial property?
Have you seen beautiful commercial properties around Cottonwood? If yes, nominate your favorite local business!**

NOMINATIONS ACCEPTED APRIL 1-30, 2024

Nominees will be judged on overall appearance, curb appeal, and use of native plants!

Nomination form and official rules can be found online at cottonwoodaz.gov/798/Beautification-Recognition-Program

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