

DATE:July 12th, 2024TO:Mayor and City Council MembersFROM:Tom Whitmer, Acting City ManagerSUBJECT:Acting City Manager's Report – Week Ending – 07/12/2024

TVR Headliner Announcement – We are pleased to share that our Friday night headliner will be Vertical Horizon and our Saturday night headliner will be Warrant! Thunder Valley Rally will take place September 20-21, 2024 at Riverfront Park in Cottonwood, AZ! Tickets are \$35 for a one-day pass or \$60 for a weekend pass. You can purchase them ahead of time online or in person at TVR. Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and our website <u>thundervalleyrallyaz.com</u> for future updates! Please see attached flyer.

Cottonwood Library "Summer Splash" – The Cottonwood Public Library would like to give a special thank you to Cottonwood Fire for their help in making our summer programming memorable. The kids loved learning about fire safety with you! Please see the attached pictures.

Going the Extra Mile "GEM" – Cottonwood employees who go above and beyond have an opportunity to be given a "GEM" card in recognition of their tremendous professional efforts. The recognized employee can turn the GEM card into Human Resources to redeem a gift. This week Travis Wilson was given a GEM card for his remarkable work for the Missoula Children's Theater production. Please see the attached card.

Planning & Zoning – The Planning and Zoning Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, July 15, 2024 has been cancelled.

SHOP Cottonwood Newsletter - The latest issue of the SHOP Cottonwood Newsletter for 2024 was distributed on July 10, 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.

Fantastic Family 4th of July – The City of Cottonwood successfully hosted the 25th Annual Fantastic Family 4th of July event at the Cottonwood Kids Park last week. Thanks to our sponsors, volunteers, staff, and community for making this event one to remember! Please see attached photos.

Adult Softball League – Registration is open for our 2024 Adult Softball League until July 31st! The cost is \$400 per team. Men's League will play Wednesday nights and the Co-Ed League will play Tuesday & Thursday nights. Sign up online at <u>https://secure.rec1.com/AZ/cottonwood-az/catalog</u>. Want to play but don't have a team? Contact Kimberlee at the REC to be placed on a waitlist for a team! Kimberlee can be reached at 928-639-3200, via email at <u>khinkley@cottonwoodaz.gov</u>, or in person at the REC (150 S. 6th Street). Please see attached flyer.

Parks & Recreation Month – For nearly 40 years, the nation has celebrated Park and Recreation Month in July to promote building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation. This month is dedicated to recognizing and celebrating the more than 160,000 full-time park and recreation

professionals — along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers — who maintain our country's local, state and community parks.

This year's theme — "Where You Belong" — celebrates the many ways park and recreation professionals across the country foster a sense of belonging in their community by providing welcoming and inclusive programs, essential services for all ages and abilities, and safe, accessible spaces to build meaningful connections. Please follow the Cottonwood Parks & Recreation Department on Facebook (facebook.com/CWPARD) as we celebrate Park and Recreation Month! Please see attached flyer.

TW/hr Attachments: Flyer – TVR Pictures – Summer Splash Card – GEM Pictures – 4th of July Flyer – Softball Flyer – Where You Belong





Friday Night Headliner



Saturday Night Headliner



Live Music • Vendors • Food & Drink • Poker Run • Much More! One - Day Pass \$35 • Weekend Pass \$60

















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Thanks for Going the Extra Mile and being a positive representative of the City of Cottonwood! Your GEM-like action has scored you a small gift of appreciation! Bring your card to HR to collect your appreciation gift.

To: Travis Wilson

Date: 7/

From: <u>Heather Rove</u>

Describe the **GEM**-like Action: Travis was incredibly helpful during the Missoula program. I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude for Travis going the extra mile to make sure my 2 kiddos were able to participate The hard work and his dedication were evidenced by the Incredible pages production !

See an employee Going the Extra Mile or performing a GEM-like action?

Recognize them!

Treat your peers to a small gift of appreciation by filling out this form to describe why that employee is deserving of this recognition. Take this card and present it to your fellow employee personally—let them know you appreciate their actions or work! After you are done encouraging that employee and supporting their positive action, the employee can bring their card to HR to redeem their gift.

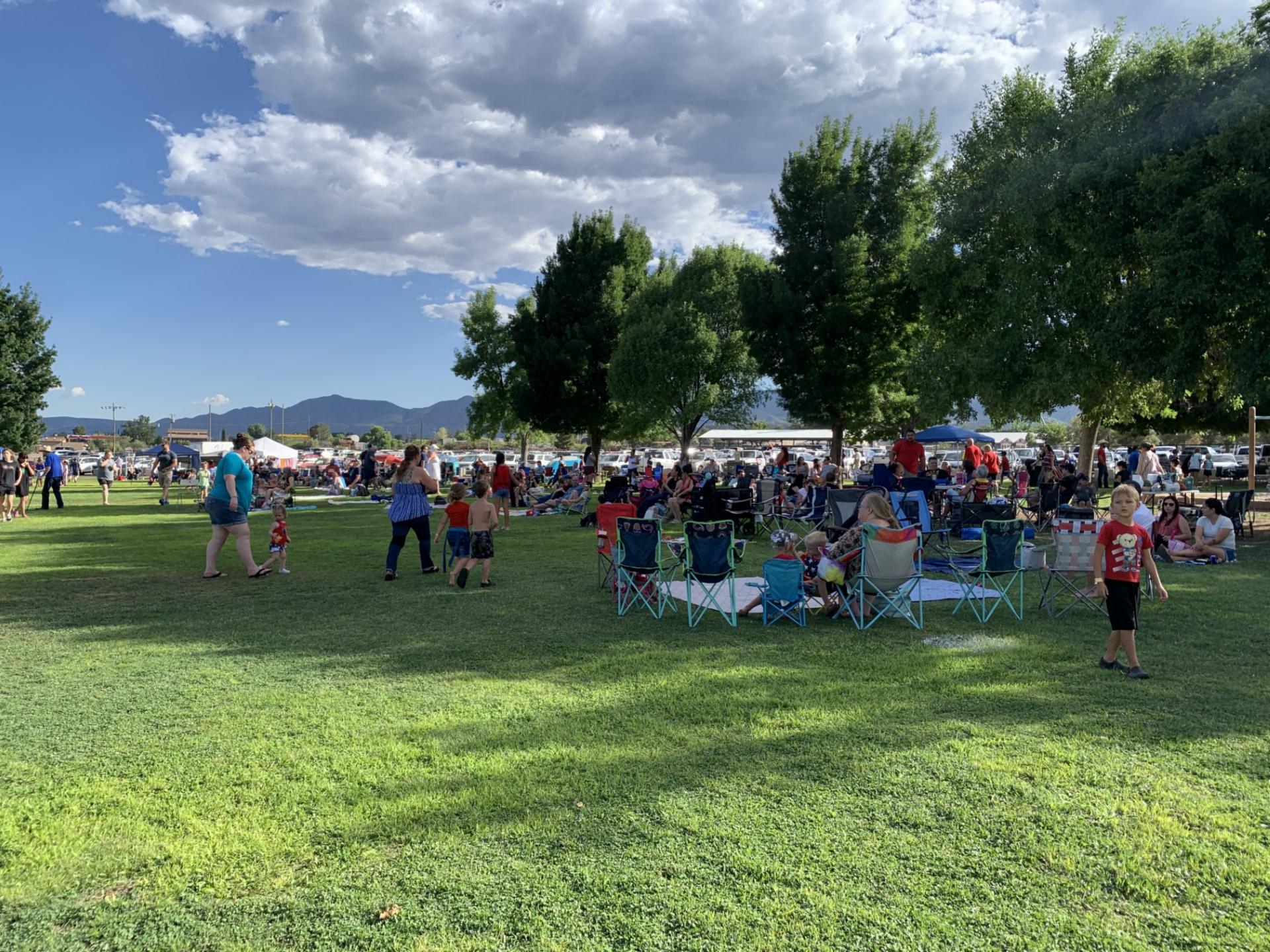
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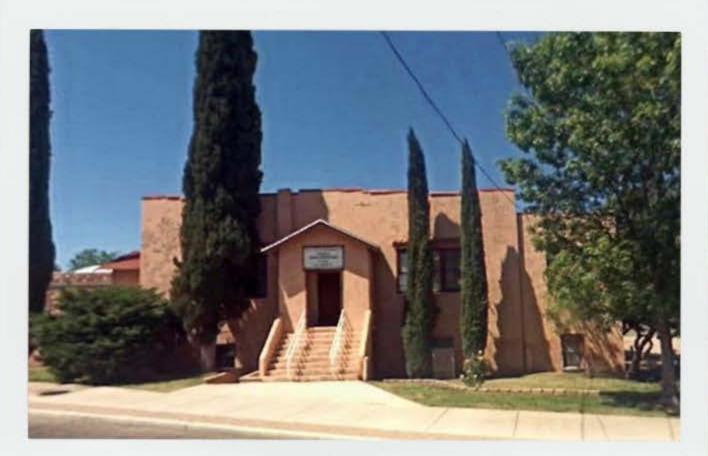
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Park & Recreation Month #ThrowbackThursday



Pictured is the old rec center when it was located in Old Town Cottonwood.

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