

DATE: August 30th, 2024
TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Tom Whitmer, Acting City Manager
SUBJECT: Acting City Manager's Report – Week Ending – 08/30/2024



Office Closures and Departmental Updates for Labor Day – The City of Cottonwood administrative offices will be closed on Monday, September 2, 2024 in observance of Labor Day.

The Cottonwood Public Library will be closed as well, and will reopen on Tuesday, September 3 at 9 a.m.

The Cottonwood Recreation Center will remain open on September 2 and will operate according to the following schedule:

- Fitness center: 4:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- Indoor pool: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Outdoor pool: 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (lap swim)
- 12 – 4 p.m. (open swim)
- Group exercise classes: Canceled

Cottonwood Area Transit (CAT) will not offer bus service on September 2, 2024. The Verde Shuttle will be operating regular bus service on all routes on September 2. The CAT administrative offices will be closed on Monday, September 2 and will reopen on Tuesday, September 3 at 8 a.m.

Public Safety will be working regular hours and emergency utility personnel will be on-call and available. Call (928) 634-0186 to contact emergency utility personnel after business hours, on weekends, and holidays.

Observe the Moon Event – In partnership with AstroVerde, the City of Cottonwood will be hosting a public event for International Observe the Moon Night on September 14. This free event is great for folks of all ages. We will encourage observation, appreciation and understanding of our moon and our status as a Dark Sky Community. Please see attached flyer.

Thunder Valley Rally – Thunder Valley Rally will be back in Cottonwood, AZ on September 20- 21, 2024 at Riverfront Park! This year's headlining acts include Vertical Horizon (playing Friday) and Warrant (playing Saturday). Attendees can look forward to a weekend packed full of live music, vendors, food and drink, custom bike show, classic car and hot rod show, and much more! Visit thundervalleyrallyaz.com to buy your tickets in advance today! Please see attached flyer.

Verde Valley Job Fair – The Verde Valley Job Fair is returning to Cottonwood, AZ on October 1, 2024 at the Cottonwood Recreation Center! This event is hosted in collaboration by the City of Cottonwood, REDC at Yavapai College, and the Greater Verde Valley Chamber of Commerce. Organizations interested in participating can sign up at <https://business.cottonwoodchamberaz.org/events>. Spots are limited so we recommend signing up as soon as possible. Job seekers do not need to register. Please see attached flyer.

Doubles Pickleball Tournament – We are excited to announce we're hosting a Doubles Pickleball Tournament on October 19-20, 2024 at the Cottonwood Recreation Center! This program will help raise funds to resurface the pickleball courts that are well-loved by our local community members! Registration is now open and you can sign up as an individual for \$50 or a team for \$100. To sign up, please visit <https://secure.rec1.com/AZ/cottonwood-az/catalog> and register soon as spots are limited! Email twilson@cottonwoodaz.gov if you have any questions. Please see attached flyer.

Walkin' on Main – Registration is now open for vendors/artists and the car show at Walkin' on Main. This year's event will take place on Saturday, November 9th in Old Town Cottonwood. For more information or to register as a vendor or car show participant, please visit azwom.com. Please see attached flyers.

Cottonwood Police Department – We are excited to announce a new collaboration between the Communications Center and Verde Academy of Career and Technology Education (V.A.C.T.E). Starting this Monday, we will be welcoming four students to the Communications Center as part of the CRCC Internship Program.

These students will be joining us every Monday and Wednesday from 13:45 to 15:45 for the next 17 weeks. The aim of this program/internship is to provide students with a comprehensive education and deeper understanding of a career in 9-1-1 dispatching. Each student will be closely supervised and escorted at all times while they are in the center.

The internship is a structured program led by a dedicated group of five Communications employees, ensuring that the students receive valuable, real-world insights into public safety communications. While the interns will be treated similarly to new hires, they will have certain restrictions in place to maintain the integrity and security of our operations.



We are excited to pilot this program with V.A.C.T.E and look forward to spreading awareness about the critical role of dispatchers in public safety!

Historic Preservation Commission – On August 28, 2024, the Historic Preservation Commission did not approve the proposed façade renovations to 921 N. Main Street as presented.

TW/hr

Attachments:

- Flyer – Observe the Moon
- Flyer – TVR
- Flyer – VV Job Fair
- Flyer – Pickleball
- Flyer – Walkin' On Main



THE CITY OF

COTTONWOOD

HAPPY LABOR DAY

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Las oficinas administrativas de la Ciudad de Cottonwood estarán cerradas el lunes, 2 de Septiembre en observancia del Día del Trabajo.





City of Cottonwood Presents



SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 • 7 - 10PM

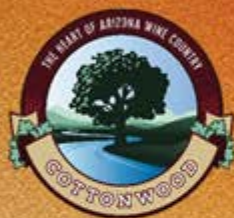
**FORMER COUNCIL CHAMBERS PARKING LOT
828 N. MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, AZ**

International Observe the Moon Night is a worldwide public event that encourages observation, appreciation and understanding of our Moon and its connection to space science, exploration, and human culture. This annual event connects scientists, educators and lunar enthusiasts from around the world.

**FREE
FAMILY
FRIENDLY
EVENT!**

**This event is organized in partnership with
AstroVerde: Astronomers of Verde Valley**

Live Music • Vendors • Food & Drink • Poker Run • Much More!



SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2024
COTTONWOOD, AZ • RIVERFRONT PARK




FEATURING




VERTICAL
HORIZON



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DOUBLES PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

OCT. 19-20, 2024
COTTONWOOD RECREATION CENTER - 150 S 6TH ST.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

Skill level 3.0 – Indoor Court

Skill level 3.5 – Outdoor Court

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Skill level 4.0 – Outdoor Court

Skill level 4.5 – Outdoor Court



SCAN ME TO SIGN UP!

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

Register as a team or as an individual (partners will be randomly assigned)

\$50/INDIVIDUAL \$100/TEAM

REGISTER ONLINE AT [COTTONWOODAZ.GOV/PARKS-RECREATION](https://cottonwoodaz.gov/parks-recreation)



VERDE VALLEY JOB FAIR 2024

OCTOBER 1, 2024
3:30 - 6 PM

COTTONWOOD RECREATION CENTER
150 S. 6TH ST.
COTTONWOOD, AZ 86326

FREE ENTRY TO ALL JOB SEEKERS

EARLY ADMISSION AT 3:00 PM FOR
JOB SEEKERS THAT ARE VETERANS, 55
AND OLDER, AND THOSE WITH
DISABILITIES



GREATER
VERDE VALLEY
CHAMBER of
COMMERCE

COMMERCE | CULTURE | RECREATION | COMMUNITY

YOUR NEW CAREER
IS WAITING FOR
YOU AT THE VERDE
VALLEY JOB FAIR!



JOB FAIR TIPS

DRESS TO IMPRESS!

We recommend wearing business professional or business casual attire.

BE PREPARED!

Bring a notepad, pen, and copies of your up-to-date resume. Have a list of questions that you'll want to ask potential employers at the fair.

FOLLOW UP!

If a representative from a potential employer shared their contact info with you, be sure to reach out to them. Thank them for their time and express your interest in a career with their company.



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR CAR SHOW AT WALKIN' ON MAIN

The Walkin' on Main Car Show presented by Red Rock Collision takes place on Main St. in Old Town Cottonwood. The show provides participants and event attendees great photo opportunities and a chance for good ol' fashion car talk. See some of the state's most unique cars, trucks and more at the Car Show at Walkin' on Main!

Registration is limited to 50 vehicles and is first-come first-served. Entry fee is \$20 per vehicle. Visit azwom.com to register or for more information.

Questions? Contact Travis at twilson@cottonwoodaz.gov or 928-639-3200 ext. 3210

**WALKIN' ON MAIN CAR SHOW TAKES PLACE
NOVEMBER 9, 2024 FROM 11AM-3PM**





NOW ACCEPTING VENDOR APPLICATIONS

Walkin' on Main began as a way to celebrate the Verde Valley's unique culture, history, and wine. Since its inception, it has grown in size and appeal and now showcases a large variety of local and regional artists, vendors, and wineries.

Applications are available online at azwom.com

\$150 for a 10x10' vendor spot

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**WALKIN' ON MAIN TAKES PLACE IN OLD TOWN
COTTONWOOD NOVEMBER 9, 2024 FROM 11AM-5PM**

