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## Movie in the Park

### Saturday, April 21st

Vendors at 7 p.m., Movie at 7:45 p.m.



Bring Lawn  
Chairs/Blankets.  
Appropriate for  
the entire family.

Sponsored  
by  
Agua Fria  
Ranch HOA

Uribe Park  
by Quik Trip  
at Olive

**Face  
Painting,  
Balloon  
Tying,  
Food  
Vendors**



# Comment from the Mayor... State of the Town of Youngtown

By HONORABLE  
MICHAEL LeVAULT  
MAYOR  
TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN

Over the years, I've come to believe that the mission of local government should always be about enhancing quality of life, beginning with making the community as safe as possible.

So how are we-- Mayor, Council and staff--doing and what is the current state of your Town?

I am proud to report that the fiscal state of the Town is very strong with a healthy rainy-day fund, a frugally run governmental operation and a structural surplus built into the Town's budget for the foreseeable future.

This strong fiscal po-

sition has allowed us to develop projects which will enhance quality of life and make Youngtown a safer community in which to live and raise our families.

A new state-of-the-art fire station (N/W corner of Michigan and 111th Avenues) is scheduled for completion later this summer. This 3-bay facility will house both fire apparatus and an ambulance, optimizing emergency response times. Several years ago, we completed a fire-flow modernization project which brought the entire town up to international fire-code standards providing our firefighters ready access to water with which to fight fires.

Youngtown is one of eight municipalities which contract

with the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) for policing services. MCSO is the third largest sheriff's department in the country and continues to provide state-of-the-art law enforcement in order to help fight crime and keep Youngtown residents safe.

Later this spring, we will be adding 100 new street lights (including on the west side of Agua Fria Parkway) and pouring some 40,000 linear feet of ADA compliant sidewalks, North of Peoria Avenue. A couple of years ago, we straightened the Peoria Avenue 'dog-leg' (at 115th Avenue) and poured some 4,400 linear feet of a multi-use bike/ped path, from Nofs Avenue east to 111th Avenue. Our goal

is to make Youngtown a safe, walkable community, encouraging residents to interact with one another in positive ways.

All our streets, Town owned buildings and parks have been upgraded, are in good shape and are well maintained on a regular basis.

Several projects, designed to show some population growth, are in the pipeline and moving forward. Ridge View Subdivision, at the east edge of Youngtown, between Peoria and Olive Avenues, will add around 125 new homes. The Retreat at Youngtown, an active Seniors community of around 100 new units, is being planned on the acreage adjacent to the Quick Trip store on Olive Avenue.

We are currently exploring the creation of significant new recreational facilities in Youngtown as well as the feasibility of wrapping Peoria Avenue around the northwest corner of Agua Fria Ranch and connecting it directly to the Agua Fria Ranch Parkway. This will divert traffic directly onto the Parkway and enhance first responder access into the AFR community.

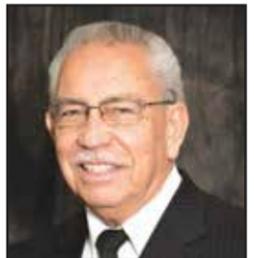
Youngtown is well positioned to take advantage of what will be profound growth in the West Valley over the next decade and, on balance, is a safe, secure community with excellent infrastructure and some exciting opportunities for continued enhancement of quality of life for its residents.



Mayor  
Michael LeVault



Vice Mayor  
Charles Vickers



Councilmember  
Jack Duran



Councilmember  
Margaret Chittenden



Councilmember  
Judy Johnson



Councilmember  
June Miller



Councilmember  
Susan Hout

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Citizens' Academy - Code Enforcement/MCSO**  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 10  
Youngtown Council Chambers

**Citizens' Dog Park of Youngtown Meeting**  
9 a.m. April 21  
United Methodist Church

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6:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 23  
Youngtown Council Chambers

**Council Meeting**  
5:30 p.m. May 17  
Youngtown Council Chambers

**Council Meeting**  
5:30 p.m. April 19  
Youngtown Council Chambers

**Movie in the Park**  
7 p.m. April 21  
Uribe Park

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5:30 p.m. May 3  
Youngtown Council Chambers

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9 a.m. May 19  
United Methodist Church

## TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS MEETINGS

**DATE:** March 15, 2018

**TIME:** 7 p.m.

**PLACE:** Town Council Chambers,  
12033 N. Clubhouse Square

A. Façade Improvement Program allocations for Tiffany Teague, American Family Insurance, in the amount of \$7,000 and Sunnyside Up Café in the amount of \$450

B. Approval of Ordinance 18-05 relative to amending the time of the Town Council Meetings

C. Approval of Resolution 18-02 relative to establishing a time for the Town Council Meetings. **Meeting times were amended to begin at 5:30 p.m. beginning April 5, 2018.**



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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!

## Sunnyside Up Café



Sunnyside Up Café is a family run business owned by Lisa Mercer. Lisa, an Arizona native, became widowed in 2016 after only five months of marriage to Army Veteran, William Mercer. They had always talked about opening a little diner that would be supplied by their own produce, eggs, etc. out near Wittman, AZ. After her husband's passing, Lisa made the decision to leave commercial real estate management after 22 years and opened Sunnyside Up Café on March 12, 2018.

Sunnyside Up Cafés menu items include a variety of breakfast and lunch dishes like biscuits and gravy, omelets, French toast, pancakes, breakfast burritos, French dip, burgers, salads, chicken fried steak, cold and hot sandwiches and their famous Sunnyside Up Burger! You can find

new daily specials posted everyday with things like blueberry pancakes, chicken Philly sandwich combo, Chicken Cordon Bleu sandwich, ham steak and eggs and much more. They also carry a variety of delicious pies, cakes, pastries and snacks.

Sunnyside Up Café is located at 11127 W. Arizona Avenue between the Youngtown Post Office and ACE Hardware. They are open seven days a week for breakfast and lunch. They proudly offer a military discount to all veteran and active military members to show their appreciation for their service. Please stop by and grab a bite to eat at the friendliest and warmest café in Youngtown where you can feel right at home.

For questions or to place an order to go, please contact them at 623-234-4552.



## 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

The Medical Lending Center at the Youngtown Community Fund Inc., serves Youngtown, El Mirage, Surprise and Peoria by loaning durable medical equipment for short term use. We have walkers, wheelchairs, shower chairs and more. Having out of town company? Don't forget you can borrow equipment for their visit whether it is a wheelchair, shower chair or even a crib, stroller or high chair for a little one. This service is FREE.

Donations are accepted and appreciated but not required.

We require a prescription for some of our equipment like three or four-wheel walkers, stationary bikes and

the treadmill. We no longer have knee scooters to loan. Providers can fax the prescription to us at 623-224-8806.

A huge THANK YOU to Mary Simpson for chairing our very successful Giant Yard Sale. Thank you to all who helped Mary, the friends of the Medical Lending Center who generously donated items to sell and to those who came and shopped. This fund raiser will really help our budget. We hit just under our goal of \$3,000 and have a little more coming in from Hudson Auction.

Have you signed up for the Fry's Community Rewards program? Please go on-line to your Fry's account and choose the Youngtown Community Fund Inc. as



A few of the folks shopping the outside area while others are inside. Wonderful turnout of shoppers.

the non-profit you would like to support. Our number is 36688. We receive about \$100 per quarter for this project. A no cost way to support the program.

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](http://www.YoungtownCommunityFund.com).





# 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...

### March Observations:

- April 10th – National Library Worker’s Day
- Thank you to Charlene McGarvey, Cathy Grow and all of our volunteers for your dedication to the Library.
- April 29th – International Dance Day

### Book Club:

Come join the Book Club every third Friday of the month. The next meeting is Friday, April 20th at 10:00 a.m. in the Library. We will discuss the novel, “Killers of the Flower Moon”, by David Grann.

Next month, author Ann Charles will visit on Friday, May 18th at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers. Ms. Charles has won several awards for her novel, “Nearly Departed in Deadwood.” Afterward, we will have our annual FREE Ice Cream Social in front of the Library.

### Craft Club:

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 fun. For more information contact Betty Trolen, (623) 974-9130.

### Storytime:

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

### Library Services:

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

- FREE WI-FI
- Six Public Computers
- All the latest videos! They can be checked out for FREE for one week
- FREE Resume Assistance
- FREE Tax Forms
- FREE Chilton Auto Repair Manuals
- FREE Legal Forms
- FREE Career Information
- FREE Genealogy/Ancestry resources
- FREE National Geographic
- FREE World Book Encyclopedia
- FREE Music – 5 downloads per week from

Freegal

- GED Study Guide Reference Book
- Copies \$ .15 each

The Library also offers a large selection of books, including large print, DVD’s, VHS tapes, magazines, and newspapers.

### 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](http://www.youngtownaz.org), under “Our Services,” or call 623-974-3401.

## Youngtown Library Activities



Emma



Eli



Diana



### Friends of the Youngtown Library

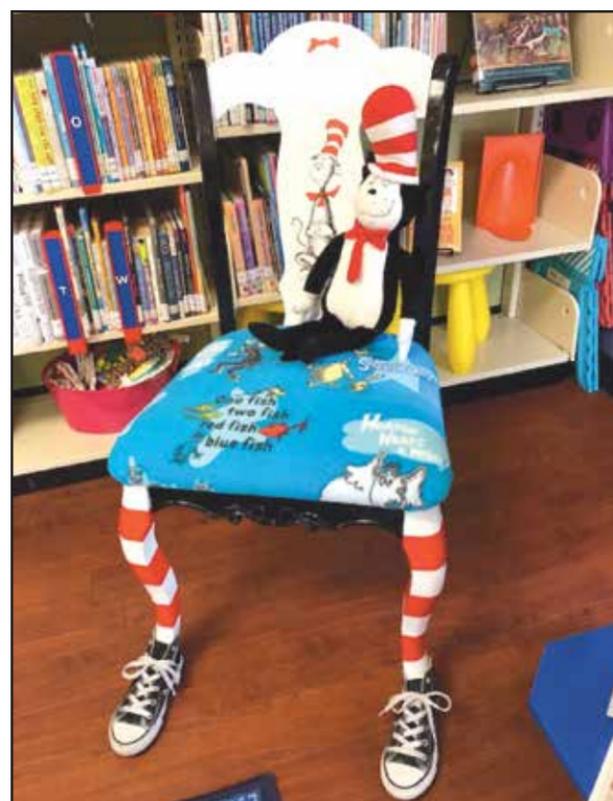
*April Big Bag Sale*

We have decided to continue our \$5.00 Bag Sale through April, since we’ve had such a great response. We are pleased to offer good quality books by top authors for such a small price. Come on in and take a look!

As always, we are seeking new members to join our club. We meet every other month (January, March, May, September and November) on the 3rd Friday of the month at 9 a.m. in the Youngtown Clubhouse. Membership is just \$10 per year so come join and help support the library. Come join us!



Esmeralda



Dr. Seuss chair



# Calling for Applications for Outside Agency Appropriations Fiscal Year 2017-2018

**Deadline for Filing: May 21, 2018**

The Town of Youngtown is seeking applications for agencies/organizations that are requesting special appropriations from the Town for services provided that impact the greater Youngtown community.

This application may be requested from the Town and completed applications must be post-marked or hand-delivered by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2018 to:

Youngtown Town Hall  
Attn: Jeanne Blackman  
12030 N. Clubhouse Square  
Youngtown, Arizona 85363

The decision to fund all or part of a requested appropriation will be made by the Town Council, based on information provided in this application

and other information deemed relevant by the Town Council.

Appropriation will only be considered for those agencies/organizations whose intended use of the funds can reasonably be expected to provide a benefit to the Town and value to the community sufficient to justify the expenditure.

Examples of criteria that may be considered by the Council in determining a project or an organization's value to the community are:

- Benefits to be provided to the community;
- Community needs;
- Duplication of existing services;
- Geographic service area;
- Methods of documenting the benefits to be provided to the community;

- Clarity of the project's stated goals and objectives;
- Longevity and reputation of the organization's service in the community;
- Documentation providing information on past benefits provided to the community;
- Follow-up documentation provided for previous appropriations; and
- Ability to obtain funding from other sources.

All applications will be reviewed by staff for approval as to form and forwarded to the Town Council for funding consideration.

Applicants will be notified when a review date has been set. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Blackman at 623-933-8286.

**YOUNGTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS**

**“Plant a Garden”**



**in the Youngtown Clubhouse**

**Tuesday, July 10, 2018**

**10:30 a.m.**

## AARP News

AARP meetings are held the first Friday of the month, September through May, at the Youngtown Clubhouse and Council Chambers.

The meetings begin with a delicious Potluck meal followed by a short business meeting and then a speaker of interest to our members. The cost to join AARP is just \$5.00 per year and you must be a national AARP member.

We have some very exciting events planned for the coming year and we would love to have you join us. For questions, please contact Jay Lichus at 623-734-5438, or Charlene McGarvey at 623-363-4608.

## Town of Youngtown Citizens' Academy



**Learn HOW YOUR GOVERNMENT WORKS and how you can get involved!**

The Youngtown Citizens' Academy is a program designed to educate residents and infuse an interest in local issues, present information about important questions facing the Town, provide an avenue for residents to help plan the community's future, and develop a pool of informed residents who would be willing to serve as local leaders on boards, commissions and among their neighbors.

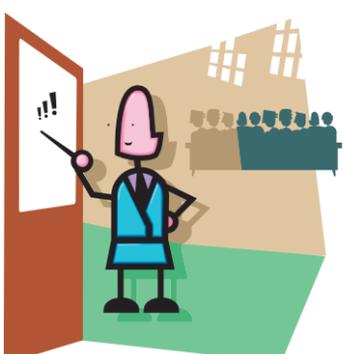
In addition to guest speakers, sessions feature group discussions, activities and other topic-related exercises. Participants who complete the seminar series, including attending at least seven of the nine sessions, one Town Council meeting, one Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, are recognized by the Town Council upon graduation.

The 2018 Academy will begin in February. Anyone who lives or works in the Youngtown area is welcome to attend. Most Town committees require residency in the Town limits in order to qualify for appointment. However, there are always opportunities to be engaged. Anyone interested in attending the Citizens' Academy may register with Nicole Smart at 623-933-8286 or [nsmart@youngtownaz.org](mailto:nsmart@youngtownaz.org)

The nine sessions will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday and fourth Monday of each month at the Youngtown Town Council Chambers.

April 10	Code Enforcement/MCSO
April 23	Town Clerk/Library/Finance
May 8	APS/EPCOR/Parks & Sons
May 29	Sun City Fire and Medical District
June 12	Leadership/Graduation

[THERE IS NO COST TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACADEMY.](#)



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# Citizens' Dog Park of Youngtown Update...

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

Spring 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.

Hopefully you have noticed three new trees that were planted by Moon Valley Nursery in early March, which will be a great asset to the Park. Thank you to the Town for their help to establish a water system to the trees. We would also like to thank Pet Lovers and Motel 6 for the donation of two bushes.

We are very grateful for all of the donations we have received! You may continue to drop off your donations at the following locations: Kopyy's Body Shop, Town Tobacco, and



**Councilmember Chittenden's sister Jeannie with Suzie visiting the dog Park**

the Youngtown Library. The Youngtown Dog Park Board will be working hard to continue to add amenities, hopefully with input from those who use the park, for their four-legged friends. 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! Come participate

at the next Youngtown Dog Park Committee meetings which will be held April 21st and May 19th at 9:00 a.m. at the Youngtown Methodist Church. The Board is considering working on a fundraising festival at the Dog Park area in spring, 2019.

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.

**Workers from Moon Valley Nursery were busy making improvements to the Dog Park recently, installing new trees.**



**CITIZENS DOG PARK OF YOUNGTOWN**  
Hours of Operation  
6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
NW Corner of  
Alabama & 113th Avenues  
For Information & Donations,  
call 623-974-9756

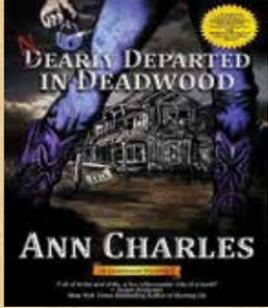
“Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened.”  
-Anatole France





The Youngtown Public Library  
Presents

**LOCAL AUTHOR,  
ANN CHARLES**



**MAY 18, 2018  
AT 10:00 A.M.**

In the Youngtown  
Council Chambers

**FOLLOWED BY A FREE ICE  
CREAM SOCIAL  
IN FRONT OF THE LIBRARY  
11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**



**YOUNGTOWN  
PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PRESENTS**

**Chef Larry Canepa  
"Passport on a Plate"**



**Thursday  
June 15, 2018  
11:30 a.m.**

**Youngtown Clubhouse Kitchen  
12033 N. Clubhouse Square**

**CLUBS &  
ORGANIZATIONS**

**AARP Board**

MEET: 4th Wednesday of the month  
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  
OFF: May, June, July  
Jay Lickus - 623-734-5438

**OPEN PAINTING- ALL  
MEDIUMS WELCOME**

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

**AARP CHAPTER 1**

MEET: 1st Friday of the month  
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
OFF: June, July, August  
Jay Lickus - 623-734-5438

**WOOD CARVERS CLUB**

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

**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

**YOUNGTOWN ART  
COMMISSION**

MEET: 4th Wednesday of the month  
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
OFF: June, July and August  
Val Wilson - 623-810-3137

**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

**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

**CRAFT CORNER**

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

**YOUNGTOWN WOMEN'S  
BIBLE STUDY**

MEET: every Wednesday  
10:30 a.m. - Noon  
OFF: June, July, August  
Madelon Jeffreys - 623-583-8047

**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY**

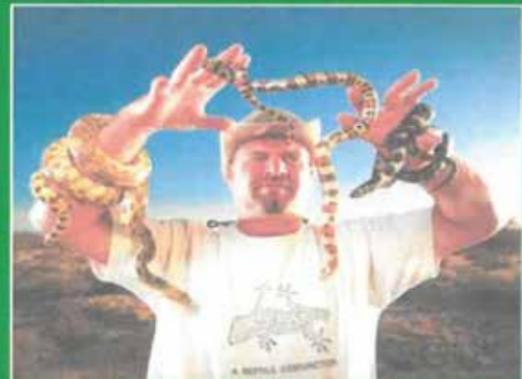
MEET: every other month on the  
3rd Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  
OFF: July  
Patrice Druehl - 623-974-9816

**ALL CLUBS MEET  
IN THE CLUBHOUSE  
UNLESS  
OTHERWISE NOTED.**

**YOUNGTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PRESENTS  
WILDMAN PHIL**



**ANIMALS ROCK!  
Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>  
at 11:30 a.m.**



**Join us for an exciting live animal  
demonstration featuring some of  
the world's most notable  
creatures.**



**Youngtown Council Chambers  
12033 N. Clubhouse Square**



# Game Day

IS EVERY DAY

Action-packed winning is right around the corner. 24 hours a day. 7 days a week. Our casino floor is filled with over 1,000 of the newest games. Surrounded by the non-stop energy of Westgate's entertainment district, Desert Diamond West Valley Casino is the ultimate place to win.

Where jackpots hit close to home.

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