

Show Low Quarterly



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New and signature events to enjoy in fall and winter

Creepy Carnival & Dance for Teens - Friday, Oct. 30

Teens, ages 13 to 18, are the exclusive guests for the first Halloween Creepy Carn-evil and Dance on Friday, October 30, 7 to 9:30 p.m., at the City Campus Gym, 620 E. McNeil. Each \$10 ticket gains admission to the Big Top carnival and dance, with food, costume contests, photo booth and cash prizes! Call (928) 532-4141 for information.



Spooktacular Festival - Saturday, Oct. 31

The fifth annual Spooktacular Festival is Saturday, October 31, noon to 8 p.m. in downtown Show Low. This free, fun family event features Halloween-themed contests, games, the traditional *Trunk or Treat*, car bash, haunted house, hay rides, costume contests, food vendors, live entertainment and Power 95.7's *Scaryoke*. Presented by Show Low Main Street and City of Show Low. Call (928) 532-4124 for information.

Show Low Shines for the Holidays - Friday, Nov. 27, through Sunday, Jan. 3, 2016

The holidays kick off Friday, November 27, when the city begins to sparkle with the annual, season-long **Show Low Shines for the Holidays**. This signature event features holiday lights illuminating Show Low City Park, Festival Marketplace, city hall, aquatic center and public library through January 3, 2016.

Friday, December 4, and Saturday, December 5, will be busy days, beginning with Santa and the Shoppes on Gingerbread Lane on Friday from 3 to 8 p.m. and again on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the City Campus Gym, 620 E. McNeil. Enjoy the sights and sounds of the holidays while you shop for gifts, with food vendors providing tasty treats. Despite his hectic schedule, Santa promises to drop by for a visit with the kids either Friday or Saturday (details will be posted to the city website). For information, call (928) 532-4124 or go to www.showlowmainstreet.org/santa--the-shoppes.html.

Saturday evening brings the popular Electric Light Parade at 6 p.m. along the Deuce of Clubs. This year's parade theme is "Let It Snow." Enjoy the floats (representing local businesses, families and community groups) with their beautiful light displays. Parade entrants compete for cash prizes. Call (928) 532-4141 to register.

The parade is followed by Show Low Main Street's Christmas tree lighting ceremony at 7 p.m. in front of Show Low City Hall, 180 N. 9th Street. The community tree will be decorated with ornaments handcrafted by Show Low elementary school children. The tree will be part of a dancing holiday-light display synchronized to music. Call

(928) 532-4124 for information.

Merchants in Show Low's downtown redevelopment district are invited to get in the spirit and decorate their storefronts with holiday decorations and lights and enter the holiday decorating contest. The decorative displays must be erected by 5 p.m., Wednesday, December 9, with entry forms due the same day. Sponsored by Show Low Main Street, direct questions to (928) 532-4124.

The season finale is the fourth annual *Deuce of Clubs Drop* on Thursday, December 31, from 11 p.m. to midnight at Festival Marketplace. This award-winning event ushers in the New Year with music, refreshments, dancing and fireworks.

Come enjoy all the season has to offer!



City begins planning for winter weather

With the National Weather Service predicting a wetter-than-normal El Niño winter season, city staff has begun planning for severe winter storms. Given weather's unpredictability and knowing that heavy snowfall can disrupt daily living, we prepare a snow management plan every year well before storms arrive. The plan is posted on the city's website in November. Here is a brief overview of our operations.

Snow removal operations

When snow is removed from the road, snow plow operators have to pile it as far off the shoulder as possible to protect the road surface and make room for traffic and more snow, which creates a "snow berm." **Unfortunately, it is impossi-**

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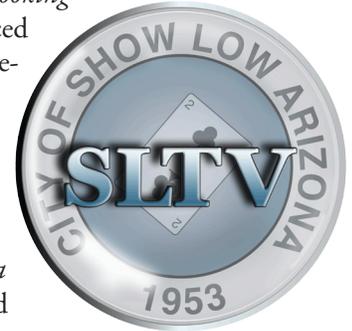
You can learn a lot from Show Low TV's program line-up

Show Low TV, which airs 24 hours daily on cable channel 56 and on the city's website, offers something for everyone. Programs range from locally produced shows to public service announcements to broadcasts in the public domain. A scrolling calendar of events plus tidbits of useful information about events and activities run between programs. As needed, we run horizontal banners across the screen with the latest information about local school closures, emergencies or city election results.

The station airs Show Low City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission and School Board meetings live, with rebroadcasts throughout the week. Catch the latest high school game of the week in *White Mountain Sports*, produced by local high school video production students, in conjunction with iTalk 106.7FM radio. Show Low Mayor Daryl Seymore hosts *Inside City Hall* about a variety of city-related issues. *Adventures with Books* introduces children and parents to a unique book, special locale (such as Sunrise Park Resort or Boyce Thompson Arbore-

tum) or a fun craft activity. *Chamber B & E* (Business & Events) visits local businesses to give viewers an in-person tour. Learn from the experts in *Dutch Oven Cooking* or the entertaining, locally produced *My Sister Can't Cook*. County representatives host *Shooting Straight* (pairing law enforcement with the legal system) and issues-based *Navajo County Connection*. Fishing enthusiasts enjoy *Fly Tying*, while nature lovers take in *Arizona Wildlife Views*. *Vintage Vehicle* and *Classic Movies* (with Sherlock Holmes, Abbott and Costello and musicals from the 1930s to 1960s) appeal to nostalgia buffs.

There are many interesting and informative shows awaiting you at Show Low TV. Visit our city website for the full program schedule. Tune in today and see what you've been missing!



Preparing for winter weather...continued from cover page

ble to plow and not leave a berm. Property owners are responsible for clearing away the berm from driveways, entrances and mailboxes. Do not shovel the snow back into the street.



The city is authorized to remove snow from public rights-of-way, using large dump trucks to continuously plow collector streets, while other drivers

nience and, if needed, work around the clock. You, too, can help keep everyone safe.

- ❖ Keep all city roadways clear of vehicles and polycarts during snow plowing operations. Section 18-3-1 of the City Code authorizes police to cite and tow away vehicles (at the owner's expense).
- ❖ Keep driving to a minimum during a snowstorm unless it is absolutely necessary.
- ❖ Protect landscaping located near or in the right-of-way adjacent to your residence. From time to time, a mailbox or post may be damaged during snow plowing operations (see our mailbox policy *below*).
- ❖ Do not shovel snow from your driveway until the street has been completely plowed back to the edge of the road to prevent you from shoveling the driveway twice.

remove snow from minor roads and neighborhoods. Call (928) 532-4100 to advise your operator of any problems on your route. Areas **not** serviced under the plan include state highways, county roads, private streets, private parking lots and private driveways. The city maintains sidewalks at city facilities, along city streets, and those covered by contractual agreements with the Arizona Department of Transportation.

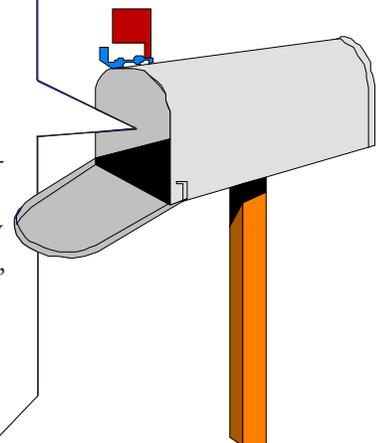
The city provides courtesy snow berm removal after snow plowing commitments have been met for those who cannot physically shovel snow and reside alone (or live with no other physically able person). The disability must be verified in writing by a physician. A fillable form to register or to retain your eligibility is available at showlowaz.gov or call (928) 532-4100.

How you can help!

Our crews do their best to minimize any inconve-

Mailbox Damage Policy

Occasionally, operators may damage mailboxes while plowing. If you think your mailbox or post has been damaged from snow plowing, submit a *Notice of Claim* (available at showlowaz.gov or at city hall). An investigation will be conducted to see if you are eligible for reimbursement. If the city is deemed responsible, arrangements for repairs will be made with the claimant. Claims may be denied if preexisting conditions exist, such as weak or rotten posts or improperly mounted mailboxes. The complete policy is available on the city's website. For information, call (928) 532-4100.

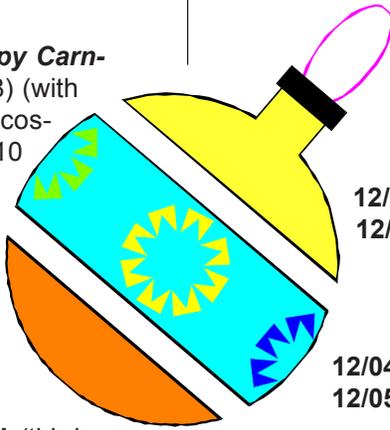


Calendar of Events (October–December 2015)

Family Aquatic Center: (928) 532-4130 Recreation: (928) 532-4140 Public Library: (928) 532-4070

- 10/05 **Swimming Lessons** begin (morning and evening sessions), Aquatic Center
- 10/03 **6–9 p.m.**, Show Low City Park, **Mountain Music Jubilee** (contests, games, food vendors, music by Fools Hollow Band)
- 10/06 **Men’s 3-on-3 Water Basketball** league play begins, Aquatic Center
- 10/06 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 10/09 **10 a.m.**, Public Library (public welcome), **Show Low Library Friends** meeting
- 10/10 **9 a.m.–3 p.m.**, Northland Pioneer College, **Business Boot Camp** for new businesses (\$30); call (928) 532-2680 for information
- 10/12- **1–5 p.m.**, Aquatic Center
- 10/16 **Fall Break** (open swim all week)
- 10/13 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 10/20 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 10/21 **1:30 p.m.**, Public Library, **Book Discussion Group**
- 10/23 **7 p.m.**, Ponderosa Field, Show Low City Park, **Movie in the Park** (Disney’s *Into the Woods*)
- 10/27 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 10/30 **7–9:30 p.m.**, City Campus Gym, **Creepy Carn-Evil and Dance for Teens** (ages 13-18) (with games, photo booth, cash prizes for costumes); advance ticket purchase of \$10 required
- 10/31 **Noon–8 p.m.**, Festival Marketplace, **Spooktacular Festival** (with *Trunk or Treat*, *Scaryoke*, contests, games, live entertainment, haunted house, vendors)
- 11/03 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 11/08- **Community Fast of Compassion Week** (third annual event to fast and donate cost of meal to help those in need)
- 11/14
- 11/10 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 11/11 **Veterans Day holiday** (City offices closed); **aquatic center holiday hours**: 9 a.m.–12 p.m., lap swim; 12–5 p.m., open swim
- 11/13 **10 a.m.**, Public Library (public welcome), **Show Low Library Friends** meeting
- 11/17 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 11/18 **1:30 p.m.**, Public Library, **Book Discussion Group**

- 11/21 **10 a.m.–5 p.m.**, Public Library, **International Games Day**
- 11/22 **6 p.m.**, Show Low School District Auditorium, **Community Fast Celebration**
- 11/23 Registration begins for **Youth Basketball**
- 11/23 **6–8 p.m.**, Aquatic Center, **National Family Night free swim**
- 11/24 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 11/26-27 **Thanksgiving holiday** (City offices closed)
- 11/26- **Aquatic Center** closed for annual maintenance; reopens
- 12/13 12/14
- 12/01 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **City Council Regular Meeting**
- 12/08 **7 p.m.**, Council Chambers, **Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting**
- 12/11 **10 a.m.**, Public Library (public welcome), **Show Low Library Friends** meeting
- 12/14 Registration begins for **Spring Coed Volleyball**
- 12/16 **1:30 p.m.**, Public Library, **Book Discussion Group**
- 12/24 **Aquatic Center** closes at noon
- 12/25 **Christmas holiday** (City offices closed)
- 01/01 **New Year’s Day holiday** (City offices closed)



Featured events for Show Low Shines for the Holidays:

- 11/27 Holiday lights turn on at City Park, Festival Marketplace, city facilities through 01/03/16
- 12/03- **7 p.m.**, Whipple Ranch Elementary School,
- 12/05 **Feaste of Carols**, Show Low High School music department’s Renaissance dinner show (12/03 is dessert-only night); call (928) 537-6200 for information
- 12/04- **3–8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Saturday,**
- 12/05 City Campus Gym, **Santa and the Shoppes on Gingerbread Lane** (with vendors, refreshments, one day only with Santa for the kids)
- 12/05 **6 p.m.**, along the Deuce of Clubs, **Electric Light Parade** (theme: “Let It Snow”)
- 12/05 **7 p.m.**, City Hall, **Show Low Main Street Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**
- 12/09 **Show Low Main Street downtown merchant holiday decorating contest** begins
- 12/31 **11 p.m.–midnight**, Festival Marketplace, **Deuce of Clubs Drop** (New Year’s Eve with music and fireworks)

Quarterly newsletters are produced by the City of Show Low, 180 N. 9th Street, Show Low, AZ 85901 and distributed with the utility statements. Direct comments to (928) 532-4061.

Capital project requests

Every year, the City of Show Low reviews future capital improvements program (CIP) projects annually for prioritization and funding. Capital projects ensure that clean water, proper waste disposal, safe streets and recreational resources (parks and community centers) are available to all citizens. But these types of projects are expensive so the CIP identifies the need, evaluates requested projects based on available funding and develops a fiscal plan to fulfill them. The result is a five-year plan, with specific projects scheduled for a given year.

Planning for next year's budget begins shortly, including reviewing CIP projects for fiscal years 2017 to 2021. If you believe a project should be considered, you may submit a project request worksheet (*right*) and mail or drop it off at City Hall, 180 N. 9th Street, by Friday, October 30, 2015.

Capital projects cost more than \$50,000. Since you may not know specific costs, all requests should be submitted regardless of cost. A project less than \$50,000 may be considered through the regular budget process if funds allow. All projects, large or small, are budgeted based on available funding.

A committee comprised of Council members, staff and citizens reviews and prioritizes the projects for the next five-year plan. The committee's recommended CIP plan is then submitted to the entire Council for approval at a regular meeting.



City of Show Low, Arizona Fiscal Year 2017-2021 CIP (Capital Improvements Program) Project Request Worksheet

Description of Project/Item Proposed _____

Estimated Cost _____

Funding Source (if known) _____

Benefit to Community _____

please print
Submitted by: _____

Address: _____

Telephone (work): _____

Telephone (home): _____

e-mail: _____

Date: _____

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT FORM IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2015

Mail or deliver completed form to:

**City of Show Low
Public Works Administration
180 N. 9th Street, Show Low, AZ 85901**

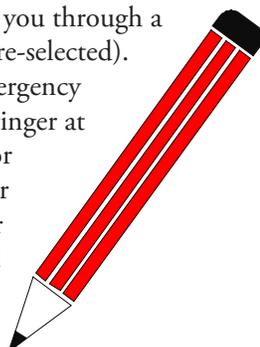
**Questions? E-mail Marian Agan at
magan@showlowaz.gov or call (928) 532-4040**

Navajo County's public notification system

Emergencies touch all of us. Who can forget the 2002 Rodeo-Chediski Fire, when citizens were forced to evacuate? To ensure we are ready for the next emergency, Navajo County has created *Ready Navajo County*, a notification system that provides quick, efficient and reliable information to citizens and businesses in Navajo County about severe weather events, missing persons, road closures, power outages, floods, lockdowns, evacuations and more.

It takes only a few minutes to sign up. Register at www.navajocountyaz.gov (use the *Ready Navajo County* link). Select how you want to receive emergency messages instantly—via landline, cell phone (voice or text), email, etc. When an emergency message is sent, the system requires you to confirm its receipt or it will continue to reach you through a second contact path (that you have pre-selected).

For more information, contact Emergency Management Director Mary Jane Springer at (928) 524-4046 or (928) 243-2584 or Emergency Management Coordinator Catrina Jenkins at (928) 524-4163 or (928) 386-2316. Protect yourself and your family today!



Floodplain Information

The City of Show Low participates in the National Flood Information Program. The city's engineering department is the local program administrator. Information is available to property owners about building in a Federal Emergency Management Agency floodplain. Download floodplain status request forms at www.showlowaz.gov. Direct questions City Engineer Shane Hemesath at 180 North 9th Street, Show Low, AZ 85901 or call (928) 532-4090.