

### MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR - LESLEY FINK

Happy Holidays! The City has been going through some major growing pains the last couple of months. The water project has been the biggest project. The PWA employees have worked hard and many hours on this project. Going into this, I am not sure we had a grasp on how much work and hurdles we would have to work through, but in the end we will have replaced 6,100 feet in 6 inch lines and 700 feet in 4 inch. We are very thankful for the grants that paid for these big projects. Growth for our community is something we have known for a very long time would happen, but trying to prepare our infrastructure for this will be a continuous effort and hopefully more grants can help with that. Thank you all for being as patient as you could during this. I would like to give a huge thank you to our water department and the contractors who helped make this possible. One of the hardest jobs has to be a job where 90% is complaints and issues and 10% is appreciation. So with that being said, I would like to ask if you see our employees out working, please tell them thank you and that you appreciate them. With the holiday's coming up we will have some days where trash will not run. Please be aware and courteous to our city employees as we try our best to allow them to spend time with their loved ones during this season. I would like to also thank my city employees and volunteers during this end of the year season. Most of you know I have a full time demanding job that does not allow me the time and energy I wish I could have put into the city but every employee/volunteer that we have plays a huge part in making our town run smoothly! From the girls in the office, to the sanitation crew, our water and sewer department, the nutrition center staff, the police department and our fire department along with each council member each put a lot of sweat and tears, and sometimes smiles into so many little things that you as a community do not see. For the next year, we hope to be able to work more on the city park, apply for more grants that will help our growth in the community's infrastructure, along with working on the beautification of the town! It's going to take all of us within the community working together to make this happen. With that being said, I am wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! - Mayor Lesley Fink

# ORDINANCE SPOTLIGHT

#### CHAPTER 17 - STREETS & OTHER PUBLIC AREAS

ARTICLE 1. USE & OBSTRUCTION

SECTION 17-2. RIGHTS OF WAY & EASEMENTS

- 1. IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION TO OBSTRUCT OR OTHERWISE PREVENT ACCESS TO, ANY PUBLICLY USED STREET, ALLEY, EASEMENT OR OTHER MUNICPALITY OWNED PROPERTY, WHETHER PLATTED OR UNDIVIDED; PROVIDED, THAT, THE CITY OF GERONIMO, OKLAHOMA, MAY PREVENT OR PROVIDE ACCESS TO SUCH STREETS, ALLEYS, EASEMENTS AND MUNICIPALITY OWNED PROPERTIES FROM TIME TO TIME, IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.
- 2. BACK CITY COUNCIL MAY PERMIT CERTAIN STREETS, ALLEYS, EASEMENTS AND MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES WHICH ARE DEDICATED, BUT NOT REQUIRED FOR TRAFFIC OR OTHER PUBLIC ACCESS OR USE, TO BE FENCED OR OTHERWISE MADE INACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC; PROVIDED, THAT, SAID CITY COUNSEL OR ANY OF ITS OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT OF INGRESS, EGRESS AND EASEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSTALLING OR MAINTAINING UTILITIES, CLEANING, GRADING, MOWING OR ANY OTHER ACTIVITY WHICH IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

## TOPIC: PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY - WINTER WATER TIPS

\*DRIP FAUCETS (IF NECESSARY) - IF PROLONGED FREEZING TEMPERATURES ARE EXPECTED, YOU MAY WANT TO DRIP YOUR FAUCETS TO AVOID WATER FREEZING IN YOUR LINES. ONLY FAUCETS ALONG AN EXTERIOR WALL NEED TO DRIP. A SINGLE, STEADY DRIP OR STREAM NO WIDER THAT A PENCIL LEAD IS SUFFICIENT TO KEEP LINES FROM FREEZING. THIS MIGHT MEAN A SLIGHTLY HIGHER WATER BILL, BUT IT COULD POSSIBLY SAVE YOU A TRIP FROM THE PLUMBER.

<u>\*AFTER HOURS WATER EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER</u>\* (580) 591-3262

#### <u>EMERGENCY SERVICES</u> <u>VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT</u>

WE WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR SUPPORT THIS PAST YEAR AND HOPE THAT EVERYONE HAS A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON. PLEASE REMEMBER TO EXERCISE CAUTION WITH USING ELECTRIC SPACE HEATERS AND TO HAVE YOUR FURNACE CHECKED BY A QUALIFIED SERVICE TECHNICIAN PRIOR TO USING IT FULL TIME THIS WINTER. MAKE SURE TO REPLACE THE BATTERIES IN YOUR SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS AND TO TEST THEM EACH MONTH TO ENSURE THEY ARE WORKING PROPERLY. IF YOU HAVE A FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AND IT IS ACTIVATED BY ACCIDENT OR MISTAKE, PLEASE NOTIFY THE MONITORING COMPANY IMMEDIATELY SO THAT THEY CAN NOTIFY DISPATCH AND THE CALL CAN BE CANCELLED IF NOTHING IS GOING WRONG. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT FIRE SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY AND MAKE SURE TO HAVE AN ESCAPE PLAN AND PRACTICE IT WITH YOUR FAMILY. ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND WE WISH EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

\* MEMBERS OF THE GERONIMO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

PSA: In case of an emergency, please call

911

GERONIMO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

# TOPIC: CITY LIMB PILE

•WITH WINTER STORMS IN MIND, YOU MIGHT FIND YOURSELF WITH SOME DOWNED TREE LIMBS. IF YOU LIVE <u>WITHIN GERONIMO CITY</u> <u>LIMITS</u>, THERE IS A LIMB PILE IN TOWN AVAILABLE TO YOU. PLEASE MAKE SURE TO ONLY DROP OFF TREE LIMBS AT THE LIMB PILE. IF ANYTHING BESIDES TREE LIMBS ARE DROPPED OFF, THE LIMB PILE MAY BE CLOSED PERMANENTLY. THE LIMB PILE IS LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF IOWA & PIUTE, EAST OF THE ANIMAL SHELTER. THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION SO THAT THIS EXTRA SERVICE MAY CONTINUE TO BE PROVIDED.

# LOOKING FOR SOMEWHERE TO HOST YOUR NEXT SPECIAL EVENT?!

## **GERONIMO** COMMUNITY BUILDING RENTAL INFORMATION

WHAT IS NEEDED TO RESERVE AND RENT THE COMMUNITY BUILDING?

**RENTAL DATE** 

FACILITY RENTAL AGREEMENT **\$50 DEPOSIT \$75 RENTAL** 

ACCEPTED FORMS OF PAYMENT: CASH. CHECK (MADE PAYABLE TO - CITY OF GERONIMO). OR CARD (ADDS \$2.50 NONRETURNABLE SERVICE FEE CHARGE) DEPOSIT DUE TO RESERVE RENTAL DUE WHEN BUILDING KEY IS PICKED UP

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

WHAT TIME IS THE BUILDING AVAILABLE? HOW LONG DO WE GET THE BUILDING? WEEKDAYS: THE BUILDING IS NORMALLY AVAILABLE AFTER 3 PM WEEKENDS: AVAILABLE FOR ENTIRE DAY

WHEN & WHERE CAN I PICK UP THE KEY? YOU CAN PICK UP YOUR KEY @ CITY HALL THE DAY BEFORE YOUR RENTAL ANY TIME MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 7 AM - 6 PM IF YOU ARE RENTING ON THE WEEKEND PLEASE MAKE SURE TO PICK UP YOUR KEY ON FRIDAY (DEPENDENT ON HOLIDAY HOURS)

WHEN DO I GET MY DEPOSIT BACK? ONCE THE KEY AND BUILDING ARE RETURNED IN THE CONDITION THAT THEY WERE RECEIVED, YOU WILL GET YOUR DEPOSIT BACK 

FOR MORE INFORMATION, AND TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION, PLEASE CONTACT GERONIMO CITY HALL @ PH: 580-353-5511 FAX: 580-357-3710 EMAIL: CLERK@CITYOFGERONMO.COM LOCATED: 100 WEST MAIN ST. GERONIMO, OK. 73543

#### GERONIMO ANIMAL SHELTER

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\*WINTER TIPS FROM THE ASPCA; MASSAGING PETROLEUM JELLY OR OTHER PAW PROTECTANTS INTO PAW PADS BEFORE GOING OUTSIDE CAN HELP PROTECT FROM SALT & CHEMICAL AGENTS. REMEMBER. IF IT'S TOO COLD FOR YOU. IT'S PROBABLY TOO COLD FOR YOUR PET, SO KEEP YOUR ANIMALS INSIDE.

\*WE JUST WANT TO GIVE A HUGE SHOUTOUT TO OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS! WITHOUT YOU, THE SHELTER WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE. THANKS FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!!!



### GERONIMO COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAKE SURE TO JOIN US FOR THE MOST MAGICAL TIME OF THE YEAR! COME AND ENJOY OUR ANNUAL BREAKFAST WITH SANTA!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTAL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

FROM 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM

# GERONIMO ELEMENTARY CAFETERI

WATCH OUT FOR DETAILS ON OUR CHILI COOK-OFF HAPPENING IN FEBRUARY!!

GERONIMO COMMUNITY EVENTS

# GERONIMO SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER

THE GERONIMO SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER IS A PLACE FOR SENIORS (60 & OLDER) TO GET A NUTRITIOUS MEAL FOR JUST \$3.00 (UNDER 60 IS \$5.00) PER WEEK DAY.

WE ARE LOCATED IN GERONIMO @ 101 W MAIN ST

CRAFTS 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY @ 9:30AM

SITTERCISE

@ 10AM

HOURS OF OPERATION: M-F 9:00am-1:00pm WITH MEALS BEING SERVED FROM 11:00-12:00pm

THE NUTRITION CENTER WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU COME BY FOR A MEAL! ALL YOU NEED TO DO

**BINGO NIGHT** 2ND & 4TH THURSDAY 6PM SNACKS

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

1ST & 3RD TUESDAY

IS SIGN UP AND FILL OUT A ONE PAGE APPLICATION. **7PM BINGO** GERONIMO SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER GERONIMO SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER WHEN: SATURDAY. DECEMBER 9TH FROM 10 AM-3 PM @ 101 WEST MAIN ST BAKED POTATO FUNDRAISER FROM 11 AM-2 PM \$10.00 FOR A BAKED POTATO AND A DRINK THE STAFF AT THE NUTRITION CENTER WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!! If you have any questions, please email clerk@cityofgeronimo.com or call us @ (580) 353-5511 or visit us @ Geronimo City Hall (located at 100 West Main St. Geronimo, OK. 73543) M-F from 7:00am-6:00pm 🕝 City of Geronimo & Don't Forget to refer a friend to our quarterly newsletter @ <u>www.cityofgeronimo.com</u>!

FAQ - DOES CITY HALL HAVE A NOTARY? \*YES, WE HAVE NOTARY AVAILABLE. \*HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? JUST \$5.00 •PLEASE MAKE SURE TO HAVE YOUR CURRENT DRIVER'S LICENSE ON HAND TO VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY & MAKE SURE THAT THE NAME ON YOUR LICENSE MATCHES THE NAME ON YOUR DOCUMENT. \*MAKE SURE NOT TO SIGN YOUR DOCUMENT UNTIL YOU ARE IN FRONT OF THE NOTARY. IF YOU SIGN BEFORE YOU ARE IN FRONT OF THE NOTARY, YOUR DOCUMENT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BE NOTARIZED. MAKE SURE TO HAVE ALL SIGNERS PRESENT FOR THE NOTARIZATION have ideas on what you would like to READ ABOUT IN OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER? SEND YOUR IDEAS TO CLERK@CITYOFGERONIMO.COM