City of Willcox Newsletter November 2010

TOYS FOR TOTS

Chief Jake Weaver, Willcox Department of Public safety

With the holiday season fast approaching, the Willcox Department of Public Safety is excited to announce that we will again be hosting the ANNUAL WILLCOX TOYS FOR TOTS CAMPAIGN for 2010. Last year, thanks to the generosity of many, the TOYS FOR TOTS program provided toys and other gift items to hundreds of children in our community who would have otherwise been unable to experience the joy of receiving gifts during the Holiday Season.

Please join us this year to help make a Christmas wish come true for the less fortunate children of Willcox, by donating an unwrapped toy, or by giving a monetary donation to the Willcox Department of Public Safety TOYS FOR TOTS CAMPAIGN. Monetary donations may be dropped off at or mailed to the Willcox Department of Public Safety, Attn. TOYS FOR TOTS CAMPAIGN, Ofcr. Hammons, or Ofcr. Majewski, 320 W. Rex Allen Dr., Willcox, Az. 85643.

Donated toys may be dropped off at the following locations: **Dollar General, Family Dollar, Walker Family Medicine, City Hall, Public Works, Willcox Dept. of Public Safety, ALCO, Safeway, Hometown IGA Food Store, Willcox Elementary School, Willcox Middle School, Willcox High School, Simflo, and Valley Telecom.**

TOYS FOR TOTS applications for children ages 1-12 years of age, may be picked up at the Willcox Dept. of Public Safety, and must be turned in NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 15, 2010. *All toys collected are distributed by the Willcox Dept. of Public safety to local needy children living in the Willcox area*.

For additional information regarding the TOY FOR TOTS program, please contact Ofcr. Mel Hammons and Ofcr. Richard Majewski at (520)384-4673, or Penney Bell at (520) 766-4231.

WHAT DO I DO WITH THIS??? - RECYCLE IT!!

Sherry Lynn Van Allen, Human Resources

Recycling has become a high priority across America in keeping our environment green. The City of Willcox promotes and encourages **everyone** to recycle. We have several types of recycling canisters located at 250 N. Railroad Ave (Public Works) that will help you in your recycling efforts.

The City also has a link on its website so you can find where to drop off additional unwanted items. Please visit www.cityofwillcox.org and click on the link labeled

"Willcox Recycling Information", and do your part to make Willcox cleaner and greener. This website is established and maintained by Earth 911: www.search.earth.911.com. By using this link, you can search and find dozens of locations within the City and County that accept those items you're not sure what to do with. Since the link searches by zip code, it is a link you can pass on to family and friends and promote recycling, not only in Willcox, but also *anywhere* across America.

If you would like more information, call me, Sherry Lynn Van Allen at 384-4271 x 4204.

REMINDER: LIBRARY CARDS ARE REQUIRED!

Tom Miner, Library Director

In August, I wrote an article detailing the many reasons why we need for all of our patrons to bring their Library cards with them when using the Library. For those of you that did not read or see that article, I will reiterate my main point: PLEASE – Help us help you! Bring your library card with you. Don't leave your card out in your car, or at home. If you have lost or misplaced your card, we will be happy to replace it for you. To our many patrons that DO bring their card, I say with deep appreciation, "Thank You Very Much" for your cooperation and support.

THE WILLCOX FIRE DEPARTMENT WISHES EVERYONE A SAFE AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING AND OFFERS THESE HOLIDAY FIRE SAFETY TIPS:

First and foremost make sure you have a working smoke detector, ensure the battery is fresh and the detector is working. (If you don't have one the Willcox Fire Dept. still has some smoke detectors that we can provide for free after you fill out a small application form). Contact the Fire Dept. for info at 384-4673.

Turkey Fryers are a major cause of residential fires and burn injuries during the Holiday Season. Here are some tips for safe use:

Keep the fryer in FULL VIEW while the burner is on. Never leave it unattended.

Place fryer in an open area AWAY from all walls, fences and other structures.

Never use IN, ON, or UNDER a garage, breezeway, carport, or porch.

Raise and lower food SLOWLY to reduce splatter and avoid burns.

COVER bare skin when adding or removing food from the fryer.

Check the oil temperature often.

If oil begins to smoke, immediately turn gas supply OFF.

Never place a wet, frozen, or partially frozen turkey into a fryer. Partially frozen, frozen and/or wet turkeys can produce excessive hot oil splatter and could cause a fire.

Do not overfill the fryer with oil, doing so could cause the oil to overflow when adding food and cause a fire.

If a fire does occur, IMMEDIATELY call 911. DO NOT attempt to put out the fire yourself!!

From the Office of the City Clerk...

Cristina G. Whelan, CMC

City Council Meetings

Monday Dec 6, 2010

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Monday Dec 20, 2010

7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers 300 W. Rex Allen Drive

Reminder: Except for Emergency Services, All City Offices will be CLOSED Thursday Thru Sunday, Nov 25 – 28 for the Thanksgiving Holidays; and at NOON, Dec 23 Thru Sunday, Dec 26 for the Christmas Holidays; and also at NOON, Dec 30 Thru Sunday,

Jan 2, 2011 for the New Year's Holidays. The City of Willcox Wishes Everyone the Most Joyous Of Holiday Seasons!!