

Show Low Monthly News

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Freedom Fest offers something for everyone

Kick off your summer with five days of fun! Show Low Recreation Services, Show Low Chamber of Commerce and corporate sponsors *CellularONE*, *Hon-Dah Resort-Casino and Conference Center* and *White Mountain Radio* invite everyone to celebrate our freedoms and honor our nation at Freedom Fest 2006, June 30 to July 4. The family-oriented events begin Friday, June 30, with the annual *Red, White and Blue* from 7 to 9 p.m. Enjoy swimming, food, games and Hawaiian entertainment at the Show Low Aquatic Center, 1100 West Deuce of Clubs. Cost is \$3 per person or \$7 for a family.

Show off your best arm wrestling techniques on Saturday, July 1, at the *Show Low Show Down Arm Wrestling Tournament*. Festival Marketplace, 1033 East Deuce of Clubs. Contestants pay a \$20 entry fee and begin checking in at 12:30 p.m.. Admission is free to the tournament, which begins at 2 p.m.

On Sunday, July 2, cool off at our *Good Ol' Summertime Ice Cream Social*, presented by the Arts Alliance of the White Mountains. Ice cream for 50¢ will be served from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Festival Marketplace, 1033 East Deuce of Clubs.

The Freedom Fest concerts, featuring the *Colgate Country Showdown* talent search, are scheduled for Monday, July 3 from 2 to 9:30 p.m. at Show Low City Park, 1100 West Deuce of Clubs. The audience will be treated to a special guest appearance by 2005 *National Colgate Country Showdown* winner Michele René. The evening concert will feature Brandon Shepard and the Red Neck Revolution. Admission is free.

On Tuesday, July 4, start off with the Show Low Historical Society's annual Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast from 7 to 9 a.m. at the Festival Marketplace, 1033 East Deuce of Clubs. This

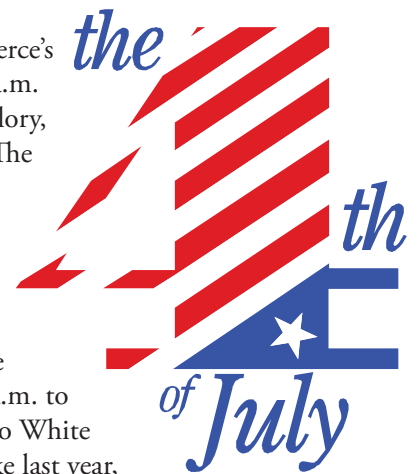
year's breakfast is in memory of Wendell "Winkie" Whipple, who helped found the museum ten years ago. Call 532-7115 for tickets (\$4 for adults, \$1.50 for children and \$15 per family).

Then grab a seat for the annual Chamber of Commerce's *Fourth of July Parade* at 10 a.m. This year's theme is "Old Glory, These Colors Never Run." The parade starts at Show Low City Park, travel east along the Deuce of Clubs and turn on White Mountain Boulevard. The Deuce of Clubs and side roads will be closed to traffic from 9:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. from Whipple to White Mountain Boulevard. Unlike last year, there will be no wet or dry zones

After the parade, head over to Show Low City Park's Old Pavilion for an old-fashioned barbecue from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., a fund-raiser for Navapache Regional Medical Center's Disaster Response Team. Proceeds will help purchase a new generator.

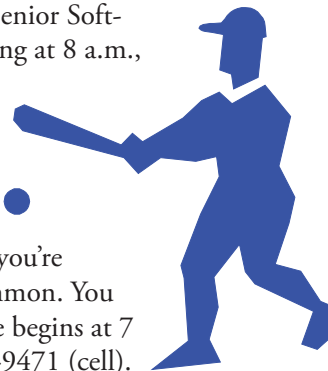
End the day with the Show Low Chamber of Commerce's annual *Fourth of July Fireworks* display, presented by Show Low Fire District volunteers, at dusk at the Show Low School District campus, 500 West Old Linden Road. Admission is free.

Tune in to White Mountain Radio on KRFM, KZUA, KSNX, KVSL, KVWM and KDJI for more Freedom Fest details. Or call the Chamber of Commerce at 537-2326 or Show Low Recreation Services at 532-4140.



Senior Softballers wanted

Don't let old age, old injuries or a lack of ability stop you from joining in a game of Senior Softball. Every Thursday morning at 8 a.m., seniors (ages 50 and up) gather to have fun and play a less competitive version of softball at City Park, Ponderosa Field (the upper field). It's free. There's no commitment. Just come and play on the days you're available. Bad arms and legs are common. You may have a courtesy runner. Practice begins at 7 a.m. Call Mike Shuler at (602) 826-9471 (cell).



City Council begins new administration

Every two years, newly elected or reelected members join the Show Low City Council at its first regular meeting in June. In the spring elections, voters elected three Council members. Gene Kelley retained his seat while newcomer Rennie Crittenden earned his seat in the Primary. Virginia Evans retained her seat in the General.

On June 6, Rick Fernau, the City's first directly elected mayor, began the second two years of his four-year term. The new vice mayor is Gordon Kearl, who serves a two-year term and is elected by the sitting Council members.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Family Aquatic Center & Recreation: 532-4140 ❖ Public Library: 532-4070

Check out City 4 TV and the City's website at www.ci.show-low.az.us for more information

Healthy Hikes, Mondays, 7:30 a.m., Senior Center
Family Swim Night, Mondays, 7:30 – 9 p.m., Aquatic Center
Martial arts classes, weekly (call 532-4140 for information)
Family Storytime, Thursdays, 10 a.m., Public Library

07/01 2 p.m., Festival Marketplace (weigh-ins at 12:30 p.m.)
Show Low Show Down Arm Wrestling Tournament

07/02 1–4 p.m., Festival Marketplace
"Good Ol' Summertime" Ice Cream Social

07/03 2–9:30 p.m., City Park
Freedom Fest (concerts, food, vendors and games)

07/03 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., City Campus (sports, crafts, fun!)
Summer Play Days (session 5) begin (ages 6-12)

07/04 **Fourth of July** (City offices closed)

07/04 7–9 a.m., Festival Marketplace
Historical Society's Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast

07/04 10 a.m., along the Deuce of Clubs
Annual Fourth of July Parade ("Old Glory, These Colors Never Run")

07/04 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., City Park Old Pavilion
Fourth of July Barbecue

07/04 1–5 p.m., Aquatic Center
Open Swim (special holiday hours)

07/04 7–10 p.m., Show Low High School
Freedom Fest Fourth of July Fireworks Display

07/05 7 p.m., Council Chambers
City Council Special Meeting

07/10 **Swimming Lessons** (session 3) begin, Aquatic Center

07/10 **Women's Fall Volleyball** registration begins (ages 15+);
 play begins 08/15

07/11 7 p.m., Council Chambers
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting

07/12 1:30 p.m., Public Library (book: Jane Eyre)
Arizona Humanities Book Discussion Group

07/13 10 a.m., Public Library
Show Low Library Friends meeting (public welcome!)

07/15 2 p.m., City Park, Old Pavilion
 3rd Saturday's **"Ice Cream Social"** (family fun)

07/17 **Swimming Lessons** (session 4) registration begins; les-
 sons begin 07/24

07/18 **Coed Fall Softball**
 games begin
 (ages 15+)

07/18 7 p.m., Council
 Chambers
**City Council
 Regular Meet-
 ing**

07/20 3 p.m., Public
 Library
**Wild, Weird
 & Wonderful
 Puppet Show** (all
 ages)

07/20 3:30 p.m., Public Library
 (favorite adventure book)
Cool Kids' Book Discussion (ages 8-12)

07/20 7 p.m., Council Chambers
Show Low Historical Society meeting (Moylen Owens
 and Eric McNeil: "Show Low Heritage")

07/21 10:30 a.m., Public Library
Visit with Jim Arnosky, children's author & illustrator

07/22 10 a.m. – 9:30 p.m., Blue Ridge High School auditorium
White Mountains Roundup (cowboy poetry, music,
 art)

07/24 **Swimming Lessons** (session 4) begin, Aquatic Center

07/25 7 p.m., Council Chambers
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting



NAU Distance Learning

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Property thinning funds

Remember, too much competition for water, sunlight and nutrients prevents your trees and vegetation from flourishing. In addition, too dense a landscape gives wildfires a chance to devastate your property. Grant funds to thin private property, regardless of need, still are available. However, funds are dwindling and the time limit to use them is fast approaching. Owners first must contact Jan Mathis, grant program manager, at 532-6139 or 434-0577 (cell) to schedule an appointment to have their property assessed prior to treatment. Owners may hire a contractor to do the work or do it themselves. Save the invoices, which are later submitted for reimbursing homeowners for thinning and mitigation treatments.