

# THE FRIENDLY NEIGHBOR

## CITY OF ST. JOHNS, ARIZONA



## APACHE COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL TO BE DEDICATED

Veterans Day this year will hold special significance for many residents of Apache County. A new Veterans Memorial will be dedicated, in St. Johns, to honor those who have served our country in the armed forces. The memorial's focal point is a life-size statue of Corporal Joseph McCarthy giving candy to two Iraqi children. Corporal McCarthy was killed in Iraq in 2004. Following his death, McCarthy's family formed the Corporal Joseph McCarthy Foundation with the purpose of reaching out to kids and keeping patriotism alive. The work of this Foundation and the contributions of many have made the Apache County Veterans Memorial a reality.

The memorial will be located between Northland Pioneer College and the Apache County Attorney's



Office, just off Cleveland Street in St. Johns. It will also feature gardens, benches, and a display case of dog tags honoring those who have served.

The dedication event will be held on Sunday, November 11th at 4:00 PM. The program will feature speakers, musical performances, and a

prayer of dedication. For more information about the Cpl. Joseph McCarthy Foundation, visit [www.cpljoes.org](http://www.cpljoes.org)

Another noteworthy event for Veterans Day will be held on Friday, November 9th at the High School. Veterans will be served lunch at 1:00 PM followed by a program at 2:00 PM in the auditorium.

## POTASH MINE PROGRESSES

The American West potash mine project continues to progress. The mine will be located in Apache County, approximately 50 miles north of St. Johns. The proposed project is currently under review by several State agencies. Another round of exploration drilling will begin in November.

Recently, Prospect Global Resources Inc., the parent company of American West Potash, signed a 10-year, \$2 billion agreement with Chinese-owned Sichuan Chemical. The agreement will direct at least 500,000 tons of potash each year to China, which is 1/4 of the mine's expected production capacity.

Prospect Global has also obtained \$100,000,000 of additional financing through an agreement with Apollo Global Management.

Construction is expected to begin within the next 12 months and will provide an estimated 500+ short-term jobs leading to an estimated 300+ long-term jobs.

### CITY HALL

(928) 337-4517  
75 W. Cleveland  
M-Th 6:30am to 5:30pm  
[www.sjaz.us](http://www.sjaz.us)

### CALENDAR

Daylight Savings Ends	Nov 4
Election Day	Nov 6
City Council Meeting	Nov 8 6:30pm
Veterans Day/ Memorial Dedication	Nov 11 4:00pm
Veterans Day Observed	Nov 12
City Hall Closed	
Thanksgiving	Nov 22
City Hall Closed	
City Council Meeting	Dec 13 6:30pm
Christmas Light Parade & Community Gathering	Dec 14 6:00pm
Christmas Holiday	Dec 24-25
City Hall Closed	
New Years Day	Jan 1
City Hall Closed	
City Council Meeting	Jan 10 6:30pm
Martin Luther King Day	Jan 21
City Hall Closed	

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## CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE AND CRAFT FAIR

The Apache County Fair Commission is branching out to sponsor a different kind of fair—a Christmas Boutique and Craft Fair. The event will be held Friday, November 9th from 2:00 to 8:00 PM and Saturday, November 10th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Apache County Fairgrounds in St. Johns.

Craft vendors will be present, showcasing and selling their wares. All are invited to participate in contests for cash prizes in the following four categories: (1) Homemade Wreaths, (2) Homemade Ornaments, (3) Pies, and (4) Gingerbread Houses. Entries will be accepted

on Friday, November 9th from 11:00 AM to 12:00 noon at the Community Center. All entries will be on display throughout the Fair. A display of nativity scenes will also be featured.

Admission to the Fair is free of charge. Local entertainment will be provided on Friday from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Santa will be at the Fair on Saturday at 11:00 AM. For more information, call 245-6803.

**Friday Nov. 9th  
2:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

**Saturday Nov. 10th  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**



## ST. JOHNS FINE ARTS

The St. Johns Fine Arts Season is well underway. Local audiences have been dazzled by masterful shows by renowned and local performers. Our community and youth benefit greatly from the work of the many volunteers who make the Fine Arts program a success in St. Johns.

The next performance, on November 30th, features the BYU Young Ambassadors (shown at left). Their talent in song and dance is sure to impress! The remaining Fine Arts schedule is as follows:

**BYU Young Ambassadors**  
11/30/12 in St. Johns

**Romeo and Juliet**  
2/19/12 in Snowflake

**Matt Baker Comedy**  
4/2/13 in Snowflake

**Apache County's Got Talent**  
Spring 2013 in St. Johns

**Seussical the Musical**  
4/26-27/12 in Snowflake

All performances begin at 7:00 PM

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT IMPROVES FAIRGROUNDS

Apache County has received funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. This funding is being used to make improvements at the Fairgrounds in St. Johns. A new bathroom facility will be constructed. Additional developments will provide improved pavement and handicap accessibility to the Fairground buildings and facilities.

The City of St. Johns will also be receiving funding through the CDBG program. This grant process is in the preliminary stages. The City Council is seeking input from the community regarding potential projects. A public hearing and Council discussion on this topic will be held on December 13th at 6:30 PM.

## CHRISTMAS LIGHT PARADE

The annual Christmas Light Parade will be held on Friday, December 14th at 6pm. Float entries are needed. Families, businesses, churches, and other groups are encouraged to participate. Please call 337-4517 for more information. After the parade, come to the Pera Gym, behind the old High School, for hot chocolate, cookies, and Santa!

