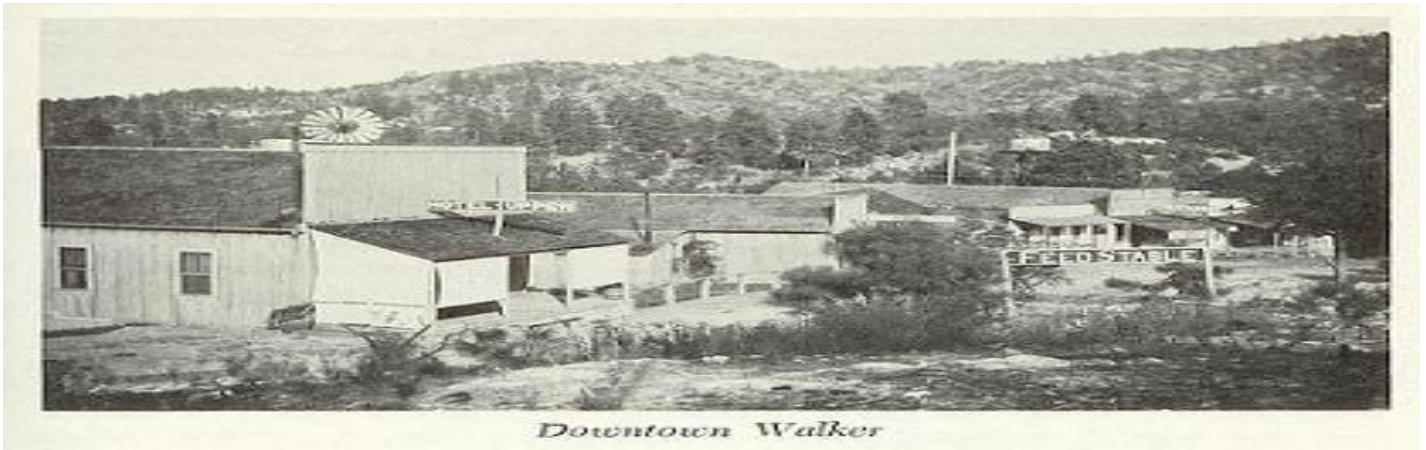


THE WALKER CHRONICLE



Downtown Walker

SERVING WALKER, BIG BUG AND POTATO PATCH AREAS

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

Vote for Our 2015—2016 Board Members and Amendment to the WFPA By-Laws



WHERE: The WFPA Fire Station at 4980 E. Walker Road

WHEN: Annual Meeting & Brunch, Saturday **May 23, 2015**

STARTING TIME: 9:00 AM

At this year's membership meeting, we will have 3 board seats that are up for election with two current board members asking for your vote for re-election. Nominations from the floor are permitted as well so come prepared with your questions and nominations!

In addition, Members will be asked to approve a modification to the By-Laws for the WFPA that among some "housekeeping" items also simplifies the Membership criteria . See the Presidents message on page 3 for a summary of the board approved modifications and pages 20 through 36 for proposed by-law modification..

And in the event you can't make it to the meeting, see page 14 inside for proxy instructions and the form (or download it from the WFPA Website).

Brunch will follow after the meeting.

Please bring your special dish to share while we are waiting for the counting of the votes.

We hope to see you on the 23rd!



FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Dear Community,

There are several topics I want to cover. The problem is keeping them Pithy enough so it will keep your interest.

Last December, our secretary Russ Courtney was sorting through some old WFPA files in the office. He found a file that included old photos and documents. One, dated March 5, 1968 was a donation request letter from Robert J Potter, the President of the newly formed Walker Fire Protection Association. In that letter Bob Potter identifies that the plan to form the Association that had begun in November of 1967.

There was a Prescott Courier Article from May 1968, announcing that Walker had received its first Fire Truck from Military Surplus channels through cooperation by the State Forester's Office. Donations from the community paid for reconditioning and equipping the truck.

There are pictures of the construction of the first Fire Station at 5881 Walker Rd (the corner of what is now know as Hummingbird Hill Rd and Walker Rd). There are photos of the Fire Truck at what appears to be an early if not the first Walker Day held at the Potter Property.

Scans of these documents and photos are available on the walkerfire.org web site in the Community Gallery.

Robert J Potter was my Grandfather. Seeing his donation letter (that sounds like current letters) and his handwritten letters have brought back fond memories of those days when the number of property owners only totaled 300.

Our community is near 1300 now, and still operates on your generosity to keep the WFPA afloat. Over the years' you have done a great job of supporting the WFPA. During the intervening times a lot has happened. There have been rifts and turmoil. Currently, we have enjoyed several years of harmony, much as the original founding members had. Your current Board has truly been a pleasure to work with. They have a wide variety of backgrounds and are all dedicated to betterment of the WFPA. They handled their positions in a professional and businesslike manner. We have endeavored to treat Members with respect who have complaints and/or issues and we continue to encourage them to bring those issues to the Board. Some of the issues are not directly related to the operation of the Fire Department. Those issues are directed to Volunteers from the Community to see if they can assist with resolving them. Thank you to those who have assisted.

Roger Nusbaum, our Fire Chief, continues to do a fantastic job with the day to day operations of the Walker Fire Department and will handle any operations related issues. We owe Roger and his Volunteers a big debt of gratitude.

The Fire Wise program under Loren Bykerk's management continues to receive grants for the removal of combustibles. The Chipper Day program is obviously very popular with the Community. Just look at the pile of slash that accumulated the minute the lot was open to receive it.

Remember this is a 90/10 grant and all your time and expense to gather the slash is useful to offset out of pocket expenses. Loren will have the forms needed to document your expenses and time to assist this 90/10 grant. This program is a great way for you to reduce fuels off your property. Please let Loren know if you need assistance with moving slash off your property.

Our last Fall Newsletter, we experimented with 'Going Green' by not sending a hard copy multi-paged Newsletter. We used emails and a post card announcing the Newsletter would be available on the website. This was an effort to cut printing and postage expenses.

The result was a reduction in donations. The Newsletters serve as a reminder to the Community to give to the WFPA. Since we depend solely on donations any downturn causes concern. Especially since we are needing to upgrade our two Water Tenders and will be making a special request for that specific purpose. Special fund drives can impact operational giving so please remember us. We

would like to be able to plan for this expense out of the general operational budgeting and not a special fund or drive. This is where your continued support and annual donations make a difference.

In December we were notified that a written request had been made to the Groom Creek Fire District to annex the Walker/Big Bug/Potato Patch areas. There was more than a little concern about this process and the potential increases in our property taxes. We communicated our concerns with the GC Fire Chief. I attended their next Board Meeting in January and addressed their Board with those concerns as well. Our last communication from them was in February to the effect that the Groom Creek Board decided the annexation was not viable and the issue is now dead.

During the time I have been on the Board there have been several discussions about people parking in our parking lot and prospecting in Lynx Creek.

The WFPA does own a small part of the Lynx Creek but the majority of the creek is in private hands other than the WFPA. For some reason the prospecting periodicals have listed our location as a place open to prospectors. Some of their activities have been pretty aggressive, digging huge holes in the bank that are left unfilled. Some of these people have used our water and we received a complaint that they were leaving human waste that made it difficult to walk dogs in the area. This causes concern for the kids that attend our social functions that play in the creek.

I do not want to be the prospecting police, but I also do not want the problems some of these prospectors are leaving behind. We will be posting signs that parking in the parking lot will be restricted to WFPA Authorized parking.

Occasionally we find other vehicles parked on our lot. While this has not been a big issue, it has been increasing that people park ATV trailers while they ride in the area. We are open to short term requests (there will be a Wedding nearby and the family has asked permission for guests to park there). It's always best to notify us if you plan to leave a car there and never park in front of the Fire Station.

There are a few proposed changes to the Bylaws that need to be approved by 2/3 vote of the Membership this upcoming Annual Meeting to be held Saturday May 23, 2015 (Memorial Day Weekend). While some of the changes are clerical in nature (address correction created by Yavapai County, typo's and spelling errors) there are proposed changes regarding definition of Membership and voting rights. These changes were prompted by confusion and differing opinions about the current Bylaws.

The early history of the WFPA was anyone that showed up at the annual meeting could vote. This worked until someone claimed that non-property owners were being "bussed in" to sway elections.

Although this claim was not factual there became a need to address the claim. After lengthy discussions, the Bylaws were changed to include a definitive area (3 miles from Firehouse) was created and voting rights were specifically restricted to property owners named on the title. Then because many properties are owned by Family Corporations, Trusts and Partnerships the Bylaws had to contain language to identify voting rights for people involved in those kind of entities. There was a negotiated consensus that Corporations, partnerships and Trusts should be limited to two votes. So, we have complex language identifying those requirements and restrictions. (Yavapai County Assessor records are what the WFPA uses to confirm property ownership)

Complicating this is State Law that requires that a "Member" agree to be a "Member." meaning the WFPA could not just say all property owners are Members but we had to have a method for Members to accept Membership. We were threatened with legal action if we did not and we were accused of operating outside State Statute.

As it happens we were not operating outside the Bylaws or State Statutes. Agreement can be either Overt or Implied. Asking for a Ballot is Implied that you are agreeing to be a member. Walking up and asking for a ballot is permitted under state law if not prohibited by the Bylaws.

We give every property owner notice via our newsletter and website. So by definition all "Members" are notified of the Annual Meeting in May.

The current Bylaws require annual renewal of Membership. There are clauses in the current Bylaws that have been construed that there are other restrictions for Membership. That is not the case.

The proposed Bylaws that are attached to this newsletter simplify this language. Recommended changes are underscored.

Once a Member always a Member as long as you own property. All property owners need to do is walk up and ask for a Ballot. There is no other requirement for Membership. Persons who claim to represent a Corporation, Trust or Partnership are accepted at face value and can only be challenged by the official representative of the entity.

There are people who want more restrictions for Membership. They do not agree with the proposed Bylaws.

It is the unanimous recommendation of the WFPA Board that you approve the new Bylaws.

"Membership" to the WFPA is not required for us to respond to your need of assistance. If you need us and we can get there we are coming. Just call 911.

The WFPA will answer all calls it can respond to assist the Community, regardless of the Bylaw voting criteria.

Looking forward to see you all at the Pancake Breakfasts, Bingo, Annual Meeting , Walker Day, Fire Fighter Appreciation Pig Roast and of course the Monthly Board Meetings.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Bill Loughrige
President
WFPA

WALKER COMMUNITY WEBSITE

The Website is your source for the latest news and announcement of events concerning our Walker Community. The WFPA has added a Paypal link to the website as a means to bring more security and versatility for donations provided by our Members. Upcoming Board meetings, community gatherings and scheduled firefighter training are also included in the site as well as a community directory, sections for Walker history, forest service issues and more. To be part of our Community Website Directory and to be included in our e-mail data base, go to www.walkerfire.org and click on the "Create an Account" link on the left side of the home page in order to go to the registration page. When you finish filling out the form click the Register button and you are "connected."

Interested in *seeing* the weather at the fire station? The website also has a Web Cam and a Weather Station hosted in cooperation with Walker Wi-Fi. You can see the footage at: <http://walkerfire.org/walker-webcams/>

You can find this link on the WFPA Website Walkerfire.org in the Interesting Links. You can also make donations and update your community information on the WFPA Website.

FROM THE TREASURER...



As we approach the end of our Fiscal Year we wish to express our appreciation to all of the WFPA supporters for their generous contribution. In addition to your donations your Board of Directors has worked diligently to explore other funding sources such as grants and assistance programs. We also continue to sponsor community fundraisers such as Walker Day, pancake breakfasts and bingo to name a few.

Although we have enjoyed wide support this year, unfortunately we have fallen a bit short of our budgeted goal. We have closely monitored our expenses in order to reduce this shortfall. Our Year to Date (June 2014 - February 2015) financial statement reflects a shortfall of \$3,885 so we are once again asking for your support and that of your neighbors. Detailed financial reports are available on the WFPA website as we are dedicated to full disclosure.

Thanks again for your continued support.

Steve MacIntosh

Treasurer WFPA

FROM THE SECRETARY...

Since October 2012 Walker residents have been able to find the monthly WFPA Board Meeting Minutes on our website - <http://walkerfire.org/board-minutes-and-reports/> A complete audio file of each meeting is available for review along with an abridged set of minutes designed to direct you to specific areas of the meeting where your interests may rest. These files are posted on the website a few days before each board meeting.

I pleased to inform residents that our organizational filings with Yavapai County and the State of Arizona are current and up-to-date. Records of our filings are maintained in the WFPA office and questions regarding those documents can be directed to me.

Russell C. Courtney, Secretary

Walker Fire Protection Association

secretary@walkerfire.org

ADDRESS FOR THE FIRE STATION:

4980 E. Walker Rd.

Prescott, AZ 86303

MAILING ADDRESS FOR BILLING, CORRESPONDENCE AND DONATIONS:

PO Box 10174

Prescott AZ 86304

FROM THE FIRE CHIEF...

As we look forward to the upcoming wildfire season, we also look back to the 2014 wildfire season which was fortunately mild in terms of number of fires and acres burned but in those fires we benefitted from the US Forest Service's commitment to have an increased presence in the Prescott Area and to make responding to the Walker area a very high priority. This allowed us to work alongside Forest Service crews and further enhance our relationship with them. We look forward to continuing to work alongside the Forest Service this year should there be any fire activity in our area.

For the last couple of years we have talked about the need for a new water tender, we want to add a water tender to the fleet before one of our existing tenders gives out or has a repair need that makes no economic sense. We would like to start the process of requesting specific donations toward the purchase of a new water tender (not brand new, we will be buying used).

Walker Fire is a donations-based department so everything we have and are able to do originates from the generosity of our neighbors and residents including the purchase of large pieces of equipment. Obviously the more the community is able to donate to our water tender objective, the more options we will have in purchasing the tender and so we would humbly request \$1000 donations to this effort with the understanding that should there be any excess, it would remand to the department's general fund.

The oncoming fire season also means that restrictions on burning, chainsaw work, welding and even smoking outside the home imposed by Yavapai County will also be here soon. Restrictions usually start in late April or early May and last a week or two past the start of the July monsoon season. If you have work around your property that involves any restricted activity we would request you complete that work before the restrictions commence.

One very important reminder for all residents is that if you have an emergency do not call a firefighter who is a friend or neighbor, if you have an emergency you need to call 911. We had one instance where a resident delayed the response they got to their emergency because they tried to call several firefighters directly, none of whom were home. **Your fastest response to your emergency will come from your calling 911.**

Thank you for your consideration,

Roger Nusbaum, Fire Chief

Walker Fire Protection Association

**The Fire Station is unattended,
so if you have an emergencyCall
911**

About the **WFPA** and How You Fund Our Services

We are a Member funded/driven, not for profit, section 501(c)(3) volunteer organization formed over forty years ago by Walker Members like you. The WFPA provides the first line of defense between hazard and safety for the Walker community. The WFPA receives minimal to no funding from the government and has historically had to rely on 35% to 40% of the Walker Membership to donate 100% of it's annual operating budget.

Fire department volunteers and your Board are extremely frugal and have managed the department's finances prudently over several challenged years. The department has no debt and a reasonable cash reserve to insulate it from an unforeseen events. However, without increasing the financial participation of our Members, equipment upgrades or additions will be out of reach and added services out of the question. We need your help.

Participating Walker Members that have already contributed their 2015 donations, reward our hard working volunteers with funds to provide insurance protection, safe equipment and continuous training in order to serve you better... a handsome return of your investment dollars.

Any one of the many calls last year could have become a much more serious incident to a Member's well being or property. Please review the following donation information and consider the significant community benefits provided by your volunteers at the WFPA... and contribute!

DONATION PAYMENT METHODS:

1) Make checks payable to the WFPA, complete the donation slip and return to:

Walker Fire Protection Association
P.O. Box 10174
Prescott, AZ 86304

Or...

2) Use our new Paypal option-located as a link in our website homepage at www.walkerfire.org.

Paypal is one of the most secure methods to make electronic, encrypted payments and can accept Visa, Master Card, Discover and American Express cards for donations. A receipt for tax records is generated within minutes to confirm the donation and saves the WFPA postage and handling costs so more of the donation dollars stays with your fire department.

When donating through Paypal you do not need to send in the donation slip if you have no personal information updates. If you need to update your personal information, you can do so in our website by selecting the "Contact Us" tab and filling out the requested information. There is also a comment section for additional information that you may want to provide.

-----Tear Off and Return-----



-Please note any informational changes below and insert form and donation in the enclosed envelope-

Walker Fire Protection Association 2015 Annual Donation Drive

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Walker Property Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Donation Amount: \$300.00 Other: _____

Check enclosed: Visa: Master Card:

Card #: _____ Exp: _____

Signature: _____

Please include me in all Walker emails and news

No change in any of my contact information

SAVE THE DATE!!! JUNE 27, 2015

WFPA's BIGGEST FUNDRAISER of the YEAR!

Please come celebrate with us and help raise funds for our local Volunteer Fire Department's 44th year!

DATE: SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2015

TIME: 9:00am - YARD SALE
11:00am - 3:00pm Walker Day Celebration

PLACE: WALKER FIRE DEPARTMENT,
4980 E. Walker Rd., Prescott, Az 86303
(7 miles south of Hwy 69 on Walker Rd.)

COLLECTION

OF ITEMS: FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2015
(need volunteers for collections so contact John Ohanesian to sign up)

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

COMMUNITY YARD SALE - Donated items from antiques & collectibles to furniture and building supplies
BBQ Lunch - Complete Hot Dog/Burger picnic lunch with dessert for \$4.00
LIVE MUSIC - Courtesy of local musical artists "Guy's With Day Jobs"
CAKE WALK - Win one of many home made cakes in an old fashion cake walk
SILENT AUCTION - Bid on quality items donated by local residents and area merchants
50/50 Raffle
Kids games, gifts and face painting

For more information please call John Ohanesian @ 928-445-8358
(100% of the proceeds go directly to the Walker Fire Protection Agency)

WALKER AREA REAL ESTATE UPDATE

Courtesy of Sharon Bencze, High Country Realty, LLC

2015 sales as of this writing . . .

CABINS/HOMES

SOLD - 4

PENDING - 2

ON THE MARKET - 31

VACANT LAND

SOLD - 3

PENDING - 2

ON THE MARKET - 42



RECAP OF 2014:

CABINS/HOMES SOLD - 22

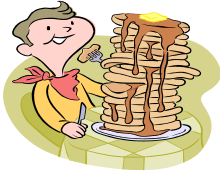
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For additional information or if you have questions,
please call Sharon at 928-308-3338 or 928-759-9664

"IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBERS FOR 2015"



BINGO Third Saturday of each month,
(May - October), from 4:00pm —7:00pm



PANCAKE BREAKFAST Last Saturday of each month,
(April - October) from 8:00am —10:00am



POST ANNUAL MEETING BRUNCH May 23, 2015



WALKER DAY'S June 27, 2015

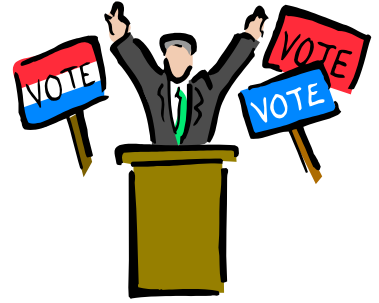


ANNUAL FIRE FIGHTER APPRECIATION/PIG ROAST Oct. 3, 2015

Note: Check out our website for dates as they are set or sign in to the website for email blasts and the most current updates for events and announcements.

These community events are what make Walker the unique community that it is. If you have never attended any of these functions, you are really missing a lot of fun and an opportunity to create memories and friends that you and your family will remember forever.

MEET THE CANDIDATES



At our annual WFPA Member's meeting at 9:00 AM on Saturday, May 23, 2015, three board of director's seats will need to be filled for the 2015-2017 fiscal years. Pursuant to our current By-Laws, nominees are recruited through a Nominating Committee or can be nominated "from the floor" on the day of the annual meeting. The following candidates have completed applications for the board and are presented for your review.

For Re-election:

Name: John Ohanesian **Phone Number:** 928-445-8358

Walker address:

Number of years as a Walker property owner/resident: 7

Typical number of days per year in Walker area: 365

Previous WFPA or Walker community involvement:

I've been a WFPA BOD member for 6 years. I am the fundraising chairman which includes coordinating Walker day and assist in our firefighter appreciation day. I also coordinate the insurance services for the WFPA. I started during a turbulent time for the WFPA and have helped calm the waters. I believe we now have one of the strongest, volunteer fire departments any community could hope for. We have achieved a higher level of training for our firefighters and have more medically trained firefighters than ever. We have a great balance in leadership, are financially strong and have become recognized in the greater Prescott as an excellent community fire department.

Previous Board/Non-profit experience:

See above

Personal Information:

My wife, Janet, and I have been full time Walker residents for 7 years. We have a foster daughter, Devynn, that has been with us here for 3 years.

We are both essentially retired, though I have a hobby that has become a small business. We both serve at our church, support christian organizations locally and abroad and always lend a hand where needed.

I am happy to offer my service for another 2 years.

John Ohanesian

For Re-election:

Name: Rudy Erdmann **Phone Number:** 928-445-1310

Walker address: 4020 Blue John lane

Number of years as a Walker property owner/resident: 42

Typical number of days per year in Walker area: 365

MEET THE CANDIDATES (cont'd)

For Re-election (cont'd):

Rudy Erdmann



Previous WFPA or Walker community involvement:

We have supported Walker in many ways including my serving as a current board member, heading up a station remodeling project and participating in numerous community services. We continue with these efforts which we consider a privilege.

fire

Previous Board/Non-profit experience:

After 42 years of executive experience in the construction industry, I continue to provide consultant and expert witness services in several states. I was VP of Operations for two of the largest general contractors in Arizona owned the 2nd largest carpentry company in Arizona with 125 employees which taught me the value of compromise and getting along. I have a recent MS degree in Construction Management from ASU.

I am an active exhibiting artist specializing in oil and wood carving and was a leader for the AMES Relief Organization building homes and shelters for the needy in Rocky Point, Mexico with volunteers

Personal Information:

My wife of 47 years Kathy and I have owned a residence in Walker for 42 years. We've been full-time residents and well as part time for that period. I currently reside here 90% of the time as I have my studio located here.

We've seen Walker grow from a sleepy retreat to a community of paved roads, an excellent fire and medical department, community events and many new members.

New Candidate:

Name: Daniel Dougherty Phone Number: 928-445-1962

Walker address: 7733 S. Snowdrift Mine Road

Number of years as a Walker property owner/resident: 11

Typical number of days per year in Walker area: 365

Previous WFPA or Walker community involvement:

Ticket sales during walker day events. Volunteered for graveling of Big Bug Mesa Road project. Current station boss for fire department.

Previous Board/Non-profit experience:

I have worked in volunteer positions in church ministries for years, including, child care and bible classes. I've worked with Washington School District in Phx for community service days for our church, planning and facilitating large volunteer drives serving the school system, painting rooms, repairing facilities, landscaping, general clean up, etc.

Personal Information:

I have been a police officer for over 28 years, having entered semi-retirement in December. I have always earned the respect of my coworkers because of my integrity, my commitment to my job, as well as my ever present desire to serve those I work with and those whom I have faithfully served.

MEET THE CANDIDATES (cont'd)



New Candidate (cont'd):

Daniel Dougherty

I have served as patrol officer, a SWAT officer, a DARE Instructor, a School Resource Officer, A Field Training Officer, a patrol auto theft investigator, a Burglary Reduction Program Detective, a Crimes Against Children Detective and an Auto Theft Unit Detective. I have worked as union Representative for both the Policemen's Benevolent Association Local 30 and the Phx. Law Enforcement Association, working in labor mediation and mitigation for my respective union members. I also worked in the department's Crisis Intervention Stress management and peer Support Team since 2003, counseling officer after police involved shootings and serious incidents, supporting officer an their families, after in line of duty deaths, etc.

I understand that if elected, I will be required to attend monthly Board meetings. Other tasks will be asked of me as well to include; participate/lead committees, assist with Walker fundraising events and other tasks that may be assigned by the President of the Board. I expect to make myself available during the month to expedite the Board's business, advance informational needs and communicate among the Board members, in person, by phone or by electronic means to advance WFPA business and in preparation of the month Board meetings during my term of the office.

Give Help—Get Help

Arizona 211 Resources can assist in navigating the various government agencies, non profit associations, charitable and municipal services providers whether you find yourself able to assist or in need of assistance.



Community Information and Referral Services serves as Arizona's key source of integrated information that brings people and services together to meet vital needs. It is their vision that all Arizonans are easily connected to available health and human services in their communities. They are the lead agency and provider of 2-1-1 services in Arizona. Look them up at www.211arizona.org, sites are cross referenced by county and assistance categories.

BURN PERMITS

Burn Permits are required if you want to burn anything on your property. Use this web site for the permit application. <http://www.prescott-az.gov/services/fire/permits/> The site will let you know if burning is allowed. A link has been established on the WFPA Web Site.



WALKER CHIP AND HAUL is OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Now thru May 15, 2015

at the Walker Firehouse

Remember:

We can only accept forest vegetation!

Do not bring:

Rocks, Stumps (they contain rocks), Trash, Building materials or Garbage Bags must be emptied - no plastic in slash pile!

Your time and expenses are valuable to the cause. Please stop by and fill out a volunteer "time sheet and expense report".

Thanks for your participation.

We Need Committee Members

The WFPA Board has formed several committees and needs your help! We are seeking members who have an expertise or interest assisting in the following:

- Funding Committee - Regulatory Committee -
- Training Committee - Community Outreach Committee -
- Facilities and Equipment Committee

Your WFPA has many planning functions that need only a moderate amount of time with enough volunteers. Our talented and diverse Membership has continually stepped forward to lend a hand and keep our department and community humming. Please consider volunteering, even a few hours can make a difference. You can view the Planning Committee Worksheet in our website (www.walkerfire.org), for more detail. Please email us at walker-bod@walkerfire.org to get involved.



Yavapai County's Emergency Notification System (ENS) can notify you on your cell, landline...

Last year's Chronicle ran this announcement and we have since had some Members ask for the information again. The Yavapai County Sheriff's Office announced the new ENS in July 2012 with an ever easy way to register your contact phone numbers and property locations in Yavapai County. Look for the "emergency notification" tab at www.ycsoaz.gov, follow the prompts for your opt-in registration and preferred phone number, contact method (email, text, voice...), and enter your property address. The site will convert the address to GPS coordinates automatically and will confirm registration once saved. You should note that all Yavapai County published residential and business landline phone numbers are automatically included in the database, registering with the site will permit you to add additional contact methods (cell phones). For more information, see the site at www.ycsoaz.gov.

Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc. Proxy and Instructions

As provided for in the bylaws of the Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc. ("WFPA"), proxy voting is permitted for the Annual Meeting which will be held at the WFPA Fire Station located at 4980 E. Walker Road, Prescott, AZ 86303, at 9:00am, Saturday, May 23, 2015. Proxies are available upon request by email at secretary@walkerfire.org, or by phone request at 480-223-8034 or available for download on the WFPA website at www.walkerfire.org. Proxy must be correctly completed, signed and returned by mail to WFPA, PO Box 10174, Prescott, Arizona 86304 or emailed to secretary@walkerfire.org, attention WFPA Secretary no later than Friday, May 22, 2015 or can be physically delivered to the WFPA Secretary at the Annual Meeting by 9:00 AM, the day of the vote.

WFPA Member eligibility to vote is defined by the WFPA bylaws, Article III "Members Voting" and summarized as owning or participating in the ownership of property within a three mile radius of the Fire Station, property included in the Potato Patch Area Association or otherwise accepted as a Member under guidelines/criteria adopted, from time to time, by the WFPA Board of Directors.

The number of total votes eligible by Members shall not exceed one vote per Member and no more than two votes for property ownership held in "joint" ownership interest as defined in Section 3.2.4.1 of the WFPA bylaws. The total votes eligible are limited as defined, regardless of the number of parcels owned or ownership participation.

Proxy will be verified for eligibility and against a Member roster with a record date of April 3, 2015 proxy qualification will be reviewed and verified with final eligibility determined by the WFPA Secretary. Any proxies not signed, not in proper order or not matching the Member roster will be set aside and considered invalid.

Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc. Proxy Form

Know All Men By These Presents:

The undersigned owner, or their voting representative, at the Walker address of: _____, hereby constitute and appoint the Secretary of the association, his designee, or _____, as nominee, and proxy with powers of substitution for and in the name and place of the undersigned, to appear, represent, and cast votes only as I specifically instruct in reference to the following matters to come before the Walker Fire Protection Association, Inc., Annual Meeting to be held on May 23rd, at 9:00AM at the Walker Fire Station located at 4980 E. Walker Road, Prescott, AZ, 86303.

Limited powers

I hereby specifically authorize and instruct my proxy to cast my vote in reference to the following matters.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Please check the name you would like to see elected to the Board of Directors. You can vote for no more than three people.

Write-In's

_____ John Ohanesian

_____ Rudy Erdmann

_____ Daniel Dougherty

APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE III OF THE WALKER FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION, INC. BY LAWS.

_____ Yes _____ No

The undersigned ratify and confirm any and all acts that this proxy may do or cause to be done in the premises, whether at the meeting referred to above or at any change, adjournment, or continuation, and revoke all prior proxies previously executed.

Date: _____

_____ (Signature)

YAVAPAI COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ANNOUNCE THE 2015 FREE SLASH DROP-OFF PROGRAM

(Notice provided by the WCAA and Firewise)

WHERE: The following County transfer stations are: Black Canyon City, Camp Verde, Congress, Mayer, Poulden Seligmen and Skull Valley

WHEN: Beginning April 1st — June 1st, 2015

This free slash drop-off program will assist residents in developing necessary defensible space around their homes and other structures that could fuel fires. Keeping fuels managed is absolutely necessary to help avoid uncontrolled fires that can become extremely damaging. Please take advantage of the free slash drop-off program and clean up around your properties.

The following items *ONLY* will be accepted:

- ◆ Brush
- ◆ Branches
- ◆ Grass & Leaves
- ◆ Yard Trimmings
- ◆ All slash must be removed from plastic bags



These items will *NOT* be accepted:

- ◆ Lumber
- ◆ Stumps
- ◆ Roots
- ◆ Cactus
- ◆ Metal
- ◆ Garbage

This program is for residential use only. Commercial loads will not be accepted!

For additional information, please contact
Yavapai County Public Works Department at (928)771-3183

WALKER TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES

Walker Trash Collection Service continues to provide fee for service household trash disposal to its members. Dumpsters are located on the Fire Department property behind the Fire Station at 4980 E. Walker Rd.

Walker Trash collections Service continues to be popular. We have been offering 6 month subscriptions for those of you who only visit during the summer months. The dumpsters are not only a service of convenience for Walkerites but in large part to avoid having people burn trash with the resulting fire danger that it produces.

The dumpsters are for household trash and garbage only . No matter how tempting, hazardous material, construction debris or slash clean up should not be put in the containers. We base the number of containers and pickups on subscriptions for household trash, construction material causes overfilling and extra cost.

The fees are as follows:

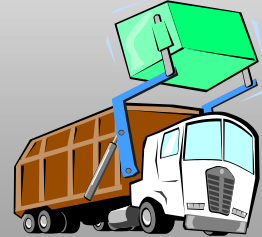
Full Year = \$180.00 (\$15 a month)

6 Months = \$120 for 6 months (\$20.00 a month)

One time/special use = \$30.00 a month

****DONATE \$1,000 or more to the WFPA and we throw in a year's subscription to the Trash Collection****

There is a link on the web site at walkefire.org where you can find the agreement. Send your checks and signed agreement to the WTCS P.O. Box 10174 Prescott, AZ 86304. The accountant keeps the records, Shad Bruce and Linda Emmett (928) 778-2566 handle the mail, locks and any issues with the dumpsters.



A VERY IMPORTANT Note.....

Remember, our homes are in an area susceptible to fire. If this should happen, you, your family and friends that visit should have an evacuation plan. The Yavapai Sheriff's Jeep Posse will manage the evacuation. However, just in case you are separated from your family in this unhappy type of situation, it will make it much better if you have a plan to meet at a specific location. It is then everyone's job to get there and stay there. Having someone to call to leave messages or your family able to retrieve voice messages is a good idea. Be sure to include pets. These plans can be as simple as meeting at the Safeway in Prescott Valley (the Costco will be a zoo) or an advanced plan with bug-out bags, food supplies and detailed instructions. Anything is better than nothing.

Is your fire extinguisher up to date? What? You don't have a fire extinguisher? Uh-Oh, they are cheap enough and can save you!

Smoke Detectors save lives. Not if their batteries are dead. When was the last time you checked them?

Make sure you have CO2 detectors too! Less glamour, but can be just as important.

The WFPA Water Use Agreement is now available on the WFPA website!



What is the WFPA Water Use Agreement and why is it needed?

The Water Use Agreement on the WFPA website is needed for two specific reasons;

- 1) The WFPA's only viable local water source is water stored in tanks, throughout our community, at the WFPA station or in limited surface water basins.***
- 2) The WFPA needs our Member's consent for stored water and needs to locate and index this "authorized" water in the event of a fire in our community so that our water tenders do not have to lose precious travel time to gather water in Prescott.***

If you have stored water or an available tender that the WFPA or fire responders can call upon in the event of a fire emergency, please visit the WFPA website at www.walkerfire.org for more details and consider authorizing your water with the Water Use Agreement.

Please remember a fire anywhere in or near our community is a huge risk for all.



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