

City of Safford Special Events

SAFFORD SPRING FESTIVAL

Date: Friday, April 23rd & Saturday, April 24 – Sunday, April 25

Sponsoring Organization: City of Safford & Chamber of Commerce

Location: Safford City Hall Lawn & 400, 500 & 700 Block of Main Street

Contact Person: Vance Bryce 928-428-2511

Time: Friday, April 23rd @ Best Western Plus 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 24th @ 5:00 pm to Sunday, April 25th @ 5:00 pm @ Safford City Hall Lawn & Main Street.

Event Details: The Safford Spring Festival is a chance for the community and our tourists to enjoy the great weather that our spring has to offer. It takes place outside on the City Hall Lawn and features the wine, art, and history of our area. We will have live music and entertainment, food trucks, opportunities to hear stories about our history and participate in an art project and car show.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Date: Thursday, May 6

Sponsoring Organization: Desert Springs Community Fellowship

Contact Person: Billie Moreno

Time: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Location: City Hall Lawn

Event Description: Worship songs and pray for this country, state, county, etc.

1st ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR & BIKE SHOW

Date: Saturday, May 1, 2021

Sponsoring Organization: Secret Soldiers

Location: American Legion @ 531 S. 11th Avenue

Contact Person: Nicole Bratlee 520-224-0944

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Event Details: Secret Soldiers Ribbon Cutting, classic car and bike show, Vendors.

FATHER MOWS BEST

Date: Saturday, June 19th

Sponsoring Organization: Double R Sound Communications

Location: City Hall Lawn

Contact Person: Reed Richins

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Event Details: Fathers compete in obstacle course made of cones with toy lawn mowers.

GILA VALLAY 4TH OF JULY PARADE

Date: Saturday, July 3rd

Sponsoring Organization: Safford Lions Club

Contact Person: Mike Andazola

Time: 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Parade route will be posted later

Event Description: Flag Ceremony and Parade for the 4th of July

SAFFORD SUMMER BLOCK PARTY

Date: Saturday, July 24TH

Sponsoring Organization: City of Safford Volunteers for United Way

Contact Person: Jay Wright and Alma Flores

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Glenn Meadows Park

Event Description: Fundraiser for United Way. Go-cart races, Hot dogs, etc.

NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Date: September 16, 2021

Sponsoring Organization: Eastern Arizona Hispanic Heritage Month

Location: Safford City Hall Lawn

Contact Person: Mike Andazola

Time: 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Event Description: National Hispanic Heritage Month Kick off. Hang banner and speaker.

WORLD FAMOUS SALSA FEST

Date: Friday, September 24 – Saturday, September 25

Sponsoring Organization: Chamber of Commerce

Contact Person: Vance Bryce

Time: 9/24 @ 5:00 pm – 9/25 @ 10:00 pm

Location: 700, 600, 500, 400 Blocks of Main Street & City Hall Lawn + 500 & 600 Block of S. 6th Avenue

Contact Person: Vance Bryce

Time: Saturday, April 24th @ 5:00 pm to Sunday, April 25th @ 5:00 pm

Event Details: The Graham County Chamber of Commerce is partnering with the Safford Lions Foundation, and the Safford Downtown association to plan the Annual Salsa Fest. This event raises funds for scholarships and promotes the Salsa Fest Restaurants. It is a well-beloved community event. There will be Vendors, Salsa contest, car show, beer garden, entertainment, and other activities. Purchasing liquor from 111 Counties. Obtaining liquor license.

SHS HOMECOMING PARADE

Date: TBD (To be determined when school has the scheduled games) September or October

Sponsoring Organization: Safford High School

Contact Person: Torrey Leitzke or Tad Jacobson

Time: 10:00 AM to 12:00 pm

Location: Safford Unified School District Facilities by way of crossing 14th Avenue and going down 112th Street, crossing 8th avenue.

Event description: Parade.

GRAHAM COUNTY FAIR PARADE

Date: Friday, October 8 **EVENT PENDING**

Sponsoring Organization: Graham County Fairgrounds

Contact Person: Melissa Mattlock

Event still pending. Details updated later.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Date: Saturday, October 23

Sponsoring Organization: City of Safford Planning & Community Dev. Dept. & Safford Downtown Association

Contact Person: Pam Frost

Time: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Location: City Hall Lawn and 700 Block of Main Street

Event description: Fall/Harvest themed event. Vendors, food, entertainment, and fall themed activities.

FIELD OF HONOR/VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY

Date: Saturday, November 6th -Saturday, November 13th

Parade & Veteran's Ceremony at Courthouse: November 11th

Sponsoring Organization: Safford Lions Club & American Legion Post 32

Time: 11/7/2020 @ 9:00 a.m. to 11/14/2020 9 12:00 PM

Location: City Hall Lawn, Front of Court house and Main Street pending parade

Contact Person: Ed Lopez

Event description: Lions Club to post flags all week on City Hall Lawn as a Field of Honor with Flags honoring veterans. Patriotic Music, a Veteran's Day Ceremony at the Courthouse and possible Veteran's Day Parade leading up to the Courthouse for the American Legion's Veteran's Day Ceremony.

MERRY MAIN STREET & TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Date: Friday, November 26

Sponsoring Organization: Safford Downtown Association

Contact Person: Jo Hancock

Time: 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Location: Main Street and City Hall

Event description: Tree Lighting at City Hall, Santa behind screen, games and activities that are easily sanitized, Stores open, Food Vendors. Details posted later.

HOLIDAY LIGHT PARADE

Date: Saturday, December 4

Sponsoring Organization: Safford Downtown Association

Contact Person: Jo Hancock

Time: Parade 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM Santa and entertainment before parade. Details posted later

Set up Time: 6:00 AM Removal time: 4:00 PM

Location: Main Street. Parade route to be determined.

Event description: Light Parade. Santa, food vendors and entertainment before parade. Details posted later

SAFFORD SPARKLES MOVIE NIGHT

Date: Friday, December 11

Sponsoring Organization: City of Safford Planning & Community Development & Chamber of Commerce

Time: (TBD) 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Location: Safford City Hall Lawn.

Event Description: Outdoor Christmas Movie, Popcorn, Hot beverages.