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## Tom Powers retiring Freeport makes changes Getting outdoors



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## June Clarion

Deadline for submitting articles for the June Clarion is May 27. The issue will be published on June 2.

## Saying goodbye to Tom

By Ákos Kovach

“That’s one of mine” said Tom pointing out one of his former students, “and so is that one. And back in ’83 I had her and 34 more of those girls staying at my house because they couldn’t get back home; the water was too high.”

The heart-warming smile. The glint in his eyes. The joy he shared from his heart. His coffee shop. His open-door policy. This gentle educator, volunteer, organizer, leader and friend is indelibly etched into my heart and those of thousands more.

He always lead by example and taught quietly using the Socratic method. They only made one like Tom Powers.

## School super is retiring

### From The Copper Era

Longtime Greenlee County School Superintendent Tom Powers will be retiring this summer.

On Apr. 16 Powers, who has served as superintendent since 2000, submitted a letter of resignation announcing his wish to retire. On Tuesday, five days later, the Greenlee County Board of Supervisors granted his wish in a unanimous vote.

“The past 50 years of service to the students, staff and administrators of our amazing schools has been extremely rewarding,” Powers’ letter read in part. “I am lucky to have been a part of this tremendous tradition.”

“Tom has been very involved in our community and our schools. He’s going to be missed,” said Supervisor David Gomez.

Powers will stay on as superintendent through June 30; Morenci High School Principal Bryan Boling will serve the rest of Powers’ term, which ends Dec. 31, 2020. Boling is also running for school superintendent in this year’s election, where he is unopposed.

Powers recommended Boling in another letter to the Board of Supervisors.

“I would like for him to have the opportunity to

[click here to finish this story](#)

### On the Cover

Retiring Greenlee County School Superintendent Tom Powers, and an honor from his favorite organizations, the Lions Club.

# Numbers adding up, but not enough

By **Ákos Kovach**

Which numbers? Census 2020 response numbers!

We have some excellent cheerleaders you know – people like Jim Chang, the State Demographer for the Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity. Or Dan Dever, Senior Partnership Specialist for our Region of Arizona.

Our official Chairman, Richard Lunt, and more locally we have Esperanza Castaneda, who has consistently represented Clifton, Isabel Meza, who is so active in Duncan.

But perhaps the most energetic volunteers, besides Karen Frye and Cecilia Jernigan, are the Toy Story characters also known as the SEACAP specialists!

SEACAP has been at nearly every meeting all these many months. They not only attend all the events they actively participate or lead the meeting. Like the 100th Day of School assembly party they conducted in Duncan.

Historically, the Greenlee County Census 2020 Complete Count Committee has been active now for 16 months. Once surveys

started to accumulate, Census has been posting results on a daily basis.

Mostly recently, the National response rate has reached 53.4%; Arizona stands at 50.9% while Greenlee County shows only a 23.4% response rate.

We have a lot of work to accomplish so we can at least match up to our state wide average.

Please **call your census in today**: 844-330-2020 in English or 844-468-2020 if you prefer to take the survey in Spanish.

Please – do it for your family, do it for your friends.

## Census impact on local communities

School lunches. Plans for highways. Support for firefighters and families in need. Census results affect your community every day.

The results of the 2020 Census will help determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding flow into communities every year for the next decade. That funding shapes many different aspects of every community, no matter the size, no matter the location.

Think of your morning commute: Census results influence highway planning and construction, as well as grants for buses, subways, and other public transit systems.

Or think of your local schools: Census results

**Please count everyone living in your home. Where there are more people, there are more needs. An accurate count helps inform funding for hospitals, fire departments, schools, and roads for the next 10 years.**

help determine how money is allocated for the Head Start program and for grants that support teachers and special education.

The list goes on, including programs to support rural areas, to restore wildlife, to prevent child abuse, to prepare for wildfires, and to provide housing assistance for older adults.

Curious about what other programs are impacted by census data? Download [this report](#) to see a full list.

94,006	Amercors	UNCS	552,192,013
97,044	Assistance to Firefighters Grant	DHS	\$306,000,000
10,569	Emergency Food Assistance Program (Food Commodities)	USDA	\$298,883,966
14,231	Emergency Shelter Grants Program	HUD	\$289,353,454
16,738	Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	DOJ	\$275,830,777



# Freeport revisions to impact Morenci

Freeport-McMoRan Inc. reported April 24 that it would be making a number of changes in its operating plans “in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic and resulting negative impact on the global economy.”

That includes production reductions and furloughs at Morenci, which will be detailed in the month to come.

Development at the Safford operation will continue.

FCX said its revised operating plans “are designed to protect the health and well-being of its employees, their families and communities where they live, ensure safe and reliable operations to serve customers, and protect the company’s strong liquidity position through reductions in costs and capital spending while preserving the long-term value of the company’s assets.”

## Prioritizing health, safety

FCX said it has proactively implemented operating protocols at each of its operating sites to contain and mitigate the risk of spread of COVID-19.

A series of actions have been implemented, including, but not limited to, physical distancing, travel restrictions, sanitizing, and frequent health screening and monitoring.

FCX said it is also incorporating testing procedures administered by medical providers at many of its facilities. In April, the company suspended operations at its Chino copper mine in New Mexico because of the spread of COVID-19 among a limited number of employees.

FCX said its protocols have been effective in mitigating and

## Highlights of Revised Operating Plans

- \$1.3 billion reduction (~18 percent) in 2020 estimated operating costs
- \$800 million reduction (~30 percent) in 2020 estimated capital expenditures
- \$100 million reduction (~20 percent) in 2020 estimated exploration and administrative costs
- ~400 million pound reduction (~15 percent) in the Americas 2020 estimated copper sales volumes
- Actions enhance outlook for cash generation and maintenance of strong liquidity at low prices

preventing a major outbreak of COVID-19 at its operating sites.

As the pandemic and related effects continue to evolve rapidly worldwide, the company said it will continue to monitor, assess and update its COVID-19-related response, as needed.

## Helping communities

FCX is also working closely with communities where it operates across the globe and has provided monetary support and in-kind contributions of medical supplies and food.

Richard C. Adkerson, president and CEO, said, “Our global team is demonstrating an effective response to protect the health of our work force, provide for business continuity, and support our communities during this unprecedented challenge.

“The prudent steps we are taking to safeguard our business, address costs and capital spending, and preserve our strong liquidity position are necessary to protect long-term asset values in the current weak and uncertain economic environment and to position us to ramp up and resume normal operations safely and quickly as

health and economic conditions improve.”

## Saving capital, reserves

FCX said it has completed a review of mine plans at each of its operating sites in North America to target a lower cost mining configuration, defer all nonessential projects and preserve long-term value in the long-lived resources.

Under the revised plans, mining and milling rates for the year 2020 have been reduced by approximately 20 percent, resulting in a projected 12 percent decline in North America copper sales for the year, lower unit net cash costs and lower capital spending requirements.

That includes suspension of milling at Morenci.

FCX will complete the initial phase of the Lone Star copper leach project with a remaining investment of about \$100 million in 2020.

The decision was supported by the advanced stage of the project (some 90 percent complete), expected quick return, and long-term value of the resource. First production is expected during the second half of 2020.

# Homes going up, getting new life

*The red house at the right, after and before, is one of the many homes available throughout Clifton that are ready to be remodeled and brought up to date. The home next door to this one sold before the home remodeler could put up the for-sale sign.*



*The home below is a custom-ordered house, almost completed now, located in York Valley. Private land is available for sale and ready to build on by private parties.*





# Homes spoken for right away


*The house at the right is the first speculative home built in Greenlee County since the 1980s. Once the foundation was poured, the builder had a buyer and entered into a contract. The housing market is ready to grow here.*

*Below is a tract of land just cleared above the Greenlee County Golf Course Clubhouse and is ready for ownership, ready for a home to take advantage of this amazing view. 928-687-1099.*



United States  
**Census  
2020**

*Greenlee County*  
**NEEDS YOU**



Current Resident

**Call Now! Llame ahora!**

1-844-330-2020 English 1-844-468-2020 Español  
[my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov)



# Get yourself outside!

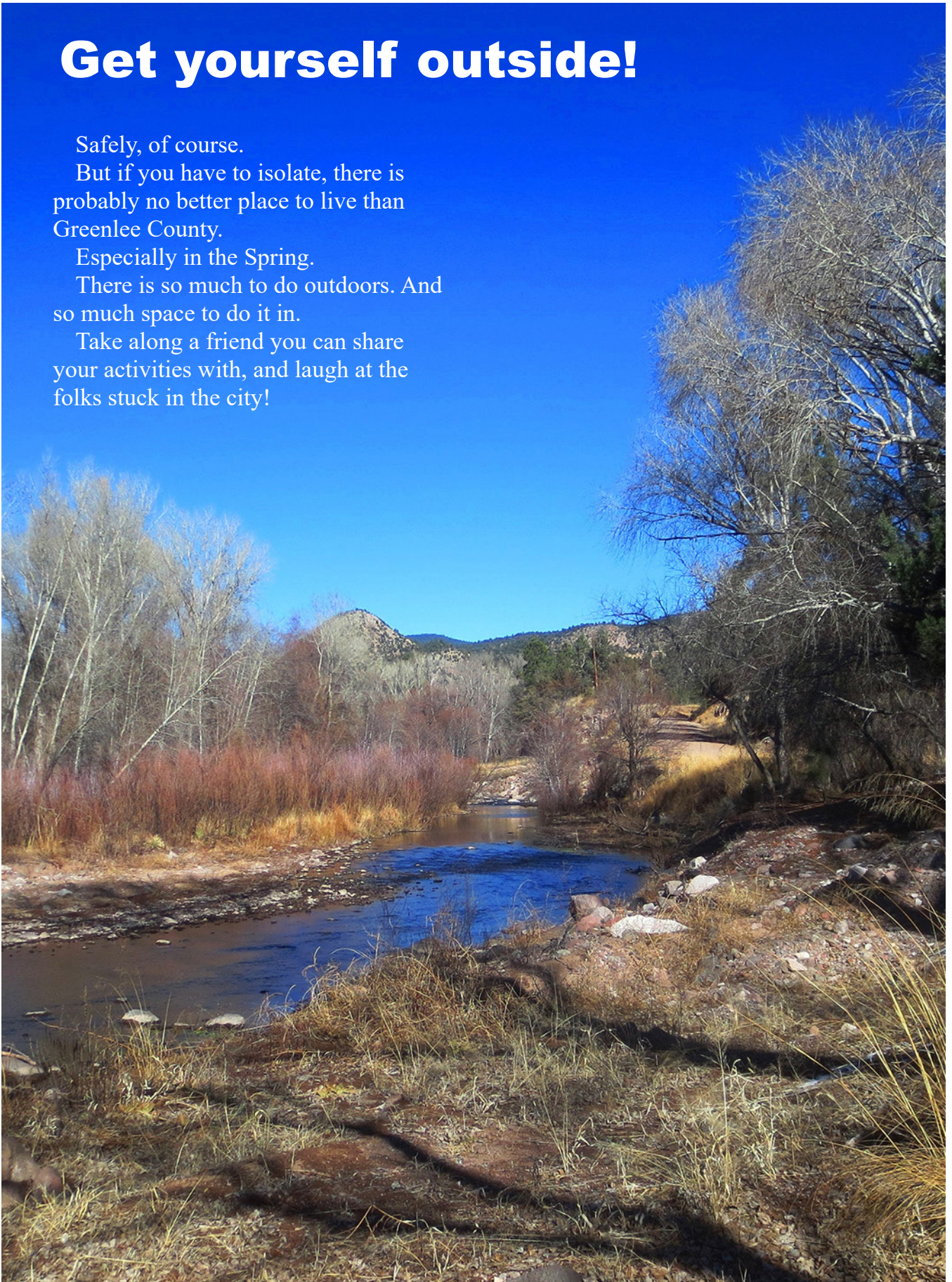
Safely, of course.

But if you have to isolate, there is probably no better place to live than Greenlee County.

Especially in the Spring.

There is so much to do outdoors. And so much space to do it in.

Take along a friend you can share your activities with, and laugh at the folks stuck in the city!







*The Black River, in northern Greenlee County. Photo by Kurt and Veronica Gillis.*



When you get out into Greenlee's wide-open spaces, remember to take photos. And then share them on the [Greenlee County Natural Wonders Facebook page](#).

*Here, the San Francisco looks placid, but don't let that fool you! Photo by Ákos Kovach.*





*The Gila is the largest of Greenlee's rivers. In the rainy season, it gets muddy. Photos by Ákos Kovach.*



*Upper Eagle Creek is a beautiful getaway spot. Photo by Kurt and Veronica Gillis.*



Support these Greenlee County businesses and eateries  
but call ahead



# PLACES TO EAT GREENLEE COUNTY

**American Legion (928) 865-5411** 51 Frisco Ave, Clifton AZ

**Clifton Hotel (928) 215-6876** 163 Park Ave., Clifton AZ

**Daley Diner (928) 215-9316** 700 S. Coronado Blvd., Clifton AZ

**El Corralito (928) 865-5291** 414 N. Coronado Blvd., Clifton AZ

**Gi'Mees Restaurant (928) 687-1517** 314 Church Ln, Duncan AZ

**GloryAnn's Catering & Food Truck (520) 289-9110**

**Golden City Chinese Restaurant (928) 865-5941** Highway 191 Morenci

**Greenlee Golf & Country Club (928) 687- 1099** 510 Country Club Rd.

**Hannagan Meadow Lodge (928) 339-4370** 23150 U.S. 191, Alpine AZ

**Hilda's Market (928) 359-1771** 105 Old West Hwy, Duncan AZ

**Humble Pie (928) 359-9866** 117 Main St., Duncan AZ

**Miners Diner and Bar (928) 865-3900** 106 Plaza Lp, Morenci AZ

**Michelle's Bar & Grill (928)865-9050** 4500 Hwy 191 Morenci AZ

**Morenci Lanes (928) 865-4343** Shopping Ctr, Morenci AZ

**Morenci Motel Bar & Grill (928) 865-4111** 261 Burro Alley, Morenci AZ

**PJ's Café (928) 865-3328** 307 S. Coronado Blvd., Clifton AZ

**Ranch House Restaurant (982) 359-2643** 206 SE Old West Hwy, Duncan

**R & R Pizza Express (928) 865-2200** Highway 191, Morenci AZ

**Sammich Shop (307) 899-5294** 21 Ward Canyon, near Canyonlands

**Starbucks (928) 865-6598** 438 Plaza Dr, Morenci AZ

**Taqueria SARAP (520) 270-0048** 701 N. Coronado Blvd., Clifton AZ—(Drive thru window)

Call ahead, let these businesses know you care, most offer curbside pickup



# GREENLEE COUNTY BUSINESSES

**Ace Hardware (928) 865-4121** 172 Plaza Drive #56, Morenci, AZ

**Bashas (928) 865-1820** 172 Plaza, Morenci, AZ

**Books, Toys & more by Jeanette (928) 929-0487** 292 Chase Creek Clifton AZ

**Chapparral Motel & Convenience Store (928) 359-2771** 506 High St., Duncan

**Chase Creek Marketplace (928) 865-1251** 215 Chase Creek Street, Clifton AZ

**Circle K (928) 865-3441** N. Coronado Blvd, Clifton AZ

**Conoco (928) 865-3975** 135 Mountain Vw, Morenci AZ

**Coronado Beauty Shop (928) 865-5561** 150 N Coronado Blvd, Clifton AZ

**Country Chic Art Gallery & Crafters Boutique (928) 359-1955** 205 Old West Hwy, Duncan AZ

**Dollar General (928) 985-1396** 540 Chase Creek St, Clifton AZ

**Family Dollar (928) 439-4550** 355 N Coronado Blvd, Clifton AZ

**Family Dollar (928) 439-4556** 379726 Arizona 75, Duncan AZ

**Germaine's Emporium (928) 359-2621** 419 SE Old West Hwy, Duncan AZ

**Greenlee Historical Museum (928) 865-3115** 299 Chase Crk, Clifton AZ

**H & S Western Wear (928) 865-0646** Morenci Plaza

**Haralson Tire (928) 865-8473** 167462 N US Highway 191, Morenci, AZ 85540

**Headframe Apothecary - Chase Creek Boarding House (928) 322-3871**  
225 Chase Creek, Clifton, AZ

**Hilda's Market (928) 359-1771** 105 SE Old West Hwy, Duncan AZ 85534

**Kempton's Chevrolet Buick Ltd (928) 865-2350** 540 N Coronado Blvd, Clifton AZ

**Napa Auto Parts (928) 865-3333** 253 S Coronado Blvd, Clifton AZ

**Ray's Vintage Market (928) 292-0070** 291 Chase Creek Street, Clifton AZ

**Rock-A-Buy Rock Shop (928) 215-1641** 809 SE Old West Hwy, Duncan AZ

**Rose's Market (928) 215-9858 (505) 818- 3946 (Drive thru window)**  
253 S. Coronado Blvd, Clifton AZ

**Studio 226 (928) 865-0226** 226 Chase Creek St, Clifton AZ

**Sexton's Store (928) 687-1331** 396164 State highway 75, York Valley AZ

**Three-Way Store & (928) 865-0226** 226 Chase Creek St, Clifton, AZ

**Town & Country Supply (928) 359-0400** 101 US Highway 70, Duncan AZ

Call ahead, let these businesses know you care, most offer curbside help



# Enhancements of our website

By Gary Dillard

When you visit the [Growing Greenlee website](#), you will notice several new sections, each adding significantly to the information available for you and for potential investors.

## COVID-19 resources

One is a section we hope to outgrow quickly, and that is [a resource section](#) for businesses and for individuals who need help during the current COVID-19 situation.

It includes a series of links to resources for various information, including health issues, help for individuals who are suffering through this time and for businesses who may need help surviving and restarting.

These resources are links because the situation is constantly changing and agencies that deal with these matters are more capable of keeping up to date with new information.

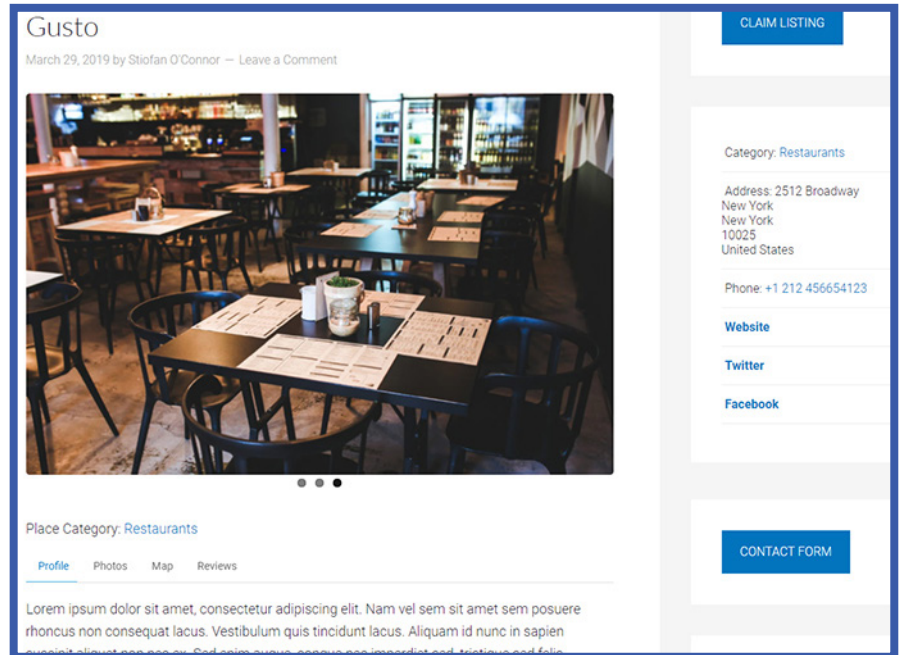
If one of these needs relates to your situation, be sure to go back frequently to see what's new. There's a link to this resource section in a banner at the top of each page of the website.

## Real estate listings

For several months now, Growing Greenlee has been publishing a list of available real estate around the county for rent and for sale.

These listings are updated frequently, and include location and contact information.

Even with the recently announced changes at Freeport, there still are hundreds of workers who want a place to live within Greenlee County.



That's why the No. 1 effort of the county's economic development office is housing.

And that's why everything that is published in the Greenlee Clarion, on the website and on our social media outlets either directly or indirectly are aimed at improving this situation.

## Business directory

As of this week, you will see the beginning of the creation of an online Greenlee County business directory.

Initially, it hosts only minimal restaurant information, (including phone number, because customers are encouraged to call before going.)

**The illustration at the top of this page is an example of what it will look like when it's fully built out.**

This weekend, we will start to add information on "essential" businesses that remain open, as shown on page 10 of this issue.

Immediately after that, we will begin the process of allow-

ing business owners/managers to "claim" their listings so that they can enhance what the directory has to say and show about them.

(In the meantime, if there is an error, or if your business isn't there and should be or is and shouldn't be, contact us through the [form on the site](#), and we will make the changes as quickly as possible.)

We will then work on making the directory complete for Greenlee County businesses, services and institutions. By the way, there will be no charge for this.

The directory uses Google maps, and you may have noticed they are not 100 percent accurate. At some point soon, we will work on making corrections to these maps, which has been needed for some time.

This is not a project for current time, but for the long-term. With all of us working together, we can create a comprehensive site. User-generated sites (think e-Bay) offer tremendous value to all who participate.



# Responsible use of the outdoors

## From The Arizona Office of Tourism

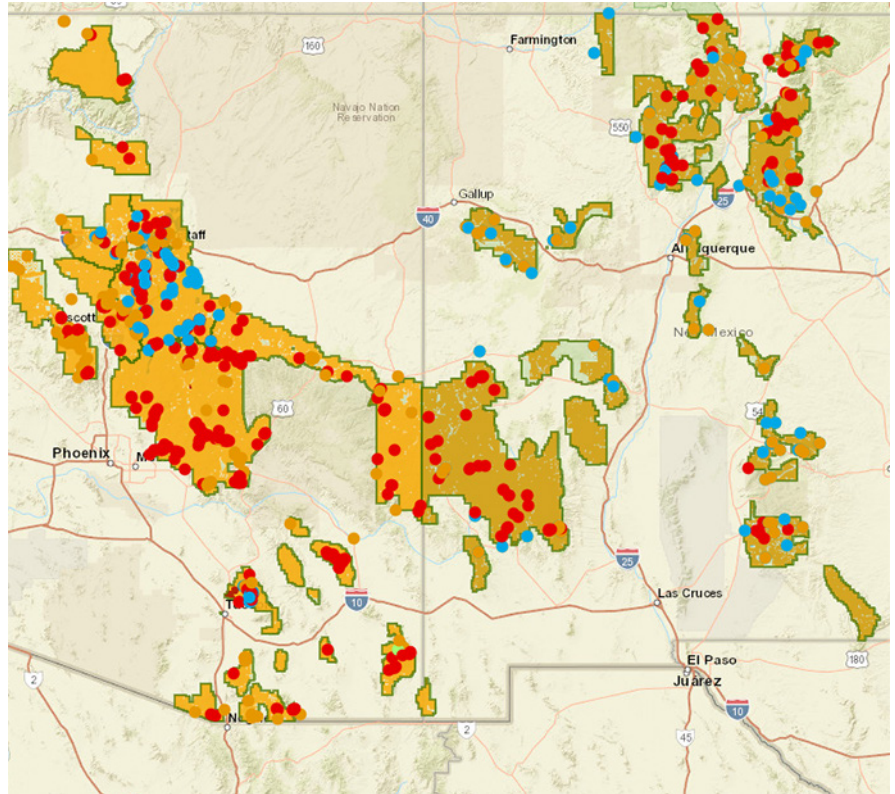
In Arizona, exploring the outdoors is an ingrained part of our culture. Thousands of residents and visitors responsibly enjoy our amazing parks, trails, forests, refuges, wildlife areas, historic sites, wilderness areas, rivers, lakes and reservoirs every year.

As the agencies that manage Arizona's outdoor recreation areas, we encourage Arizonans to continue enjoying all the spectacular landscapes our state offers, while adhering to the COVID-19 physical distancing guidelines provided by the [Arizona Department of Health Services](#) and the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#).

We remain committed to keeping all public lands open and as accessible as possible while protecting staff and visitors.

Before heading out, be sure to check the status of the area you plan to visit. The [individual sections discusses online provide details about the impacts on Arizona recreation areas and information on current conditions](#).

Remember, responsible recreation requires participation by everyone. Always be respectful of the wildlife and vegetation on



*Be aware of, and up to date on, [fire and other restrictions](#).*

public lands and be sure to check the rules for recreation ahead of time for the specific area you're planning to visit. If you are feeling even mildly sick, you should remain at home until you feel better. If you are showing symptoms of COVID-19, such as shortness of breath, a fever or a cough, call your doctor. And most of all, remember that following COVID-19 guidelines allows us

to keep our outdoor areas accessible to all!

### Ready to visit?

Fortunately, many public lands are open for dispersed recreation activities like hiking, biking and stargazing. Outdoor recreation is a great way to stay active and follow public health guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Follow these simple tips from the U.S. Forest Service to plan a fun and safe outing to Arizona's public lands.

### Before you visit

**Call ahead.** Agencies have websites and social media that offer information on local conditions, but visitors are encouraged to call ahead with any additional questions.

Select an appropriate activity  
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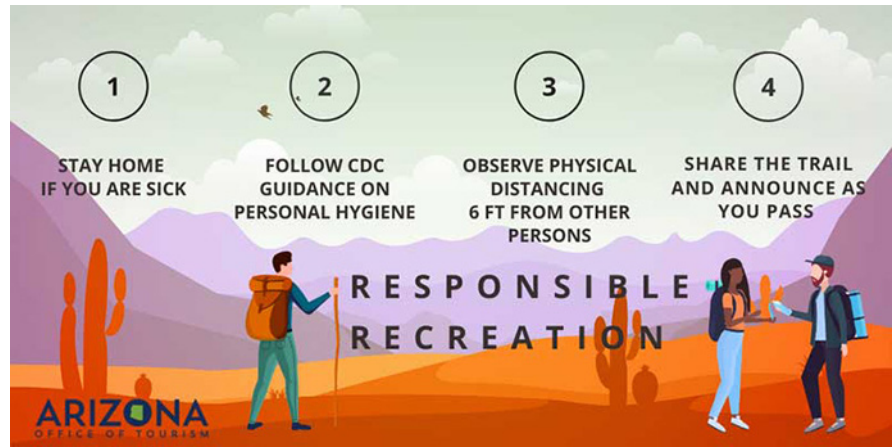
# Outdoors . . .

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ity. Hiking, biking, stargazing and dispersed camping are fantastic options. Avoid high-risk activities like rock climbing or backcountry activities, as law enforcement and rescue operations may be limited due to COVID 19 issues.

Select low-traffic locations and times. Discover a new area. Visit less-traveled locations during non-peak hours to avoid crowding.

Stay home if you feel sick. Follow CDC guidance on personal hygiene and social distancing before and during your visit.



Bring necessary supplies. Services like trash pickup and restroom maintenance are likely limited or not available at many locations. Bring the supplies you might need such as trash bags and

hand sanitizer.

For more information from each public-lands agency and what to be considering, [visit this website](#). It puts it all together for the user.

## Tips for tourism-related businesses

### From Arizona Office of Tourism

Destination managers and tourism businesses should take advantage of this time to do some simple, effective tasks to ensure you're ready for recovery.

**Perform a checkup on your online presence.** Review your website and online accounts to ensure you're providing accurate information and maintaining a consistent persona.

Make sure you have a presence on digital platforms that are most relevant for your industry and audiences.

**Make your mark on Google.** Google is used for 90% of internet searches while Google Maps is used by 60% of mapping and navigation app users.

Destinations and businesses should take advantage of these platforms to communicate with visitors. Google My Business is a great free tool designed to specif-

ically help businesses, nonprofits and destinations provide accurate information to visitors. You can also respond to Google reviews, upload photos and add new places (such as trailheads) to Google Maps.

**Gather data and craft your narrative.** Even as the crisis continues, planning for recovery is key. Gather information about how COVID-19 has affected you, your community and your industry.



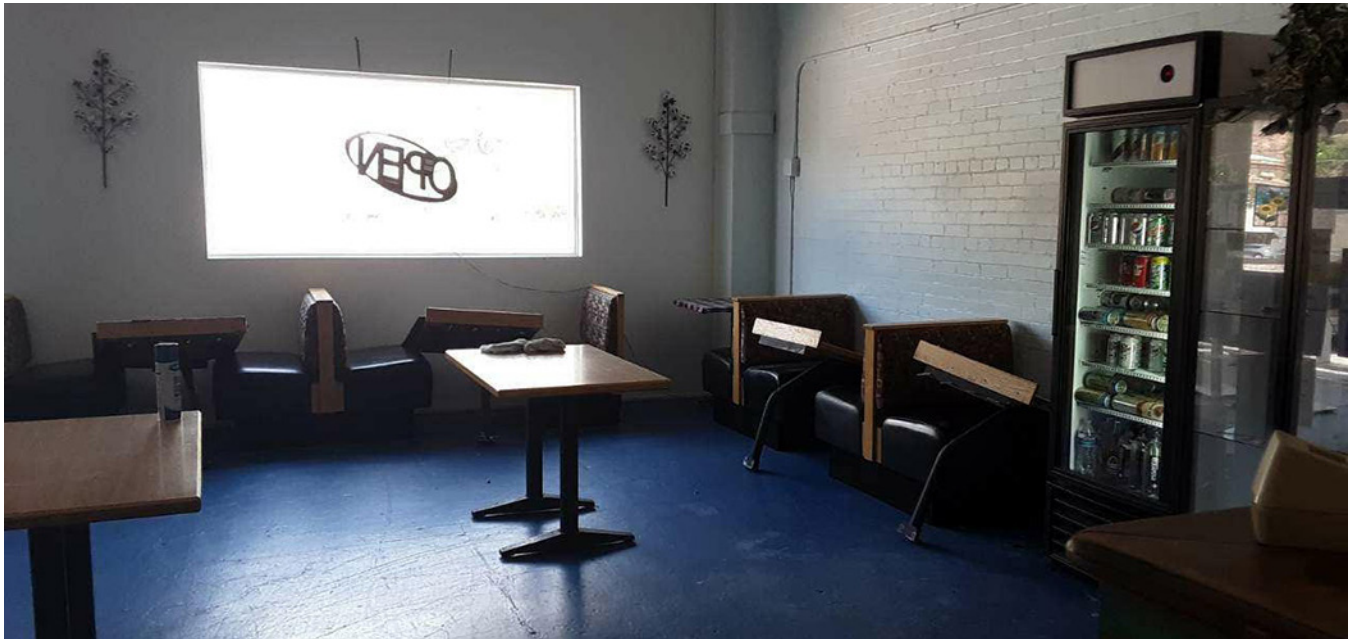
Record items such as lost sales revenue, decreases in bookings, canceled events and furloughed employees. If you do not have hard numbers, use estimates. This information will help you apply for recovery resources and inform budgeting decisions.

**Stay connected to lenders.** The Small Business Administration sent out a revised list of banks, credit unions, and small business lending companies which will be processing new accounts for the Paycheck Protection Program. Please do not wait to get in touch with one of these lenders.

We can very well expect a new coronavirus aid package passed in Congress early this week, which will result in more funds for this program.

Please also continue to check in with banks that you have applied with and have not given you a formal denial.





*Soon to be forlorn no more. This view of the Daley Diner is expected to be changing in May.*

## Reopenings (sort of) seen in May

PHOENIX — Gov. Doug Ducey said April 29 there would be an extension of physical distancing measures, but he also laid out a step-by-step approach to continue reenergizing Arizona’s economy.

He issued an Executive Order extending Arizona’s Stay Home, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected Order until May 15, 2020.

The order also continues Arizona’s gradual economic reopening, allowing retail businesses to begin partial operations starting next week.

Under the order, retail businesses currently not operating can begin curbside pick-up on Monday, May 4, followed by expanded in-person operations on Friday, May 8 as long as they implement social distancing and sanitation measures established by the United States Department of Labor or the Arizona Department of Health Services.

“Arizona’s focus has been protecting public health and slowing the spread of COVID-19 — and this approach is working,” Ducey said. “Physical distancing is making a difference. We’re slowing the spread. The last thing we want to do now is undo these gains.

The governor’s office said this announcement continues Arizona’s calm, steady approach while taking new steps to breathe life into our small businesses. “Arizona is eager to reenergize our econo-

my, and we will continue to take a gradual, step-by-step approach that’s guided by data and public health.”

### Reinvigorating Main Street

Starting Monday, May 4, 2020, retail businesses will be allowed to sell goods through delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, drive-up service or curbside delivery provided they establish and implement sanitation and physical distancing measures. This updated guidance applies to the act of selling goods, not services.

In addition, the Governor announced Arizona is aiming to allow restaurants to offer dine-in services to customers in May, though no day was specified. Additional guidance will be developed in coordination with public health officials and will be provided in the days ahead, Ducey said.

**Watch the Greenlee County Board of Supervisors meetings on [Zoom](#). (free)**

**Meetings are scheduled for May 5 and May 19. Check the Greenlee County [Facebook page](#) for details.**



# ACA running small-biz bootcamp

The Arizona Commerce Authority is running an [online “bootcamp” for small businesses](#) to help them deal with the current business climate and recovery from this.

Daily sessions began the last week of April (it’s all available online so you can catch up on past issues) and it will run for several weeks.

The Bootcamp will provide daily touchpoint sessions featuring expertise from community business leaders over the next several weeks to connect with mentors, learn strategies to help navigate this uncertain environment, and prepare for a strong re-entry once the state begins our economic recovery process.

Sessions coming up next week include:

## **Monday, May 4 | Alternative Sources of Funding**

In addition to the PPP and EIDL loans, there are a variety of potential funding sources for small business owners - micro-financing, crowdfunding, grants and partnerships to name a few. In this session, learn about all alternative funding resources available in Arizona.

## **Tuesday, May 5 | Negotiating Relief - Working with your Landlords and Utility Providers**

In this session, explore different ideas and options on how to reduce costs and manage expenses during COVID-19, while learning from experts on how to work with your landlords and utility providers during the crisis.

## **Wednesday, May 6 | Cut Costs and Manage Cash Flow**

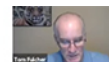
Companies that can preserve



## ELIGIBILITY

### PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM

- Small business concerns with fewer than 500 employees, as well as:
  - a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, a 501(c)(19) veterans organization, or Tribal business concern or
  - The applicable size standard in number of employees for the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) industry as provided by SBA, if higher.
- This also includes:
  - Individuals who operate a sole proprietorship or as an independent contractor and eligible self-employed individuals.
  - Any business concern that employs not more than 500 employees per physical location of the business concern and that is assigned a NAICS code beginning with 72, for which the affiliation rules are waived. (Accommodations and Food Service)
  - Affiliation rules are also waived for any business concern operating as a franchise that is assigned a franchise identifier code by the Administration, and company that receives funding through a Small Business Investment Company.
  - Religious organizations are now eligible; further guidance available
  - Certain Farms and Agricultural businesses are also now eligible



*This is a screen capture from one of the ACA bootcamp sessions.*

cash are likelier to return stronger when the economy begins to reopen. In this session, discover creative ways to cut costs and preserve cash, ensuring you have enough in the bank to return stronger.

## **Other webinars**

There also are supplemental webinars from ACA on:

> What you need to know about the Paycheck Protection Program.

This session done in partnership with the Arizona Bankers Association covers essential information about the Paycheck Protection Program, including:

Who is eligible for the program?

How much can a business borrow?

What can the loan be used for?

What are the terms of the loan?

How much of the loan is forgivable?

What other financial resources and alternatives are available?

> Workforce Continuity &

Strategy is the second webinar in an educational series led by the Arizona Commerce Authority. These informational sessions are designed to provide guidance, tools and resources to Arizona’s businesses impacted by COVID-19.

> Ensuring business continuity.

The Arizona Commerce Authority hosted the first webinar of a series designed to help Arizona businesses navigate the financial and operational impacts of COVID-19 on April 1, 2020.

Focused on helping businesses leverage federal relief programs by obtaining capital, the webinar provided business owners with solutions for operational and finance issues.

Experts also provided small business owners with tactics involving operational considerations, including leadership strategies, employment and labor laws, real estate and mitigating business risk.

These webinars also are available through the [ACA website](#).



## Support for caregivers

SEAGO AAA would like to invite you to attend C.A.R.E., Family Caregiver Support Virtual Meetings on Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

Support groups provide safe, welcoming and confidential settings for you to share your experiences and emotions, as well as your questions and wisdom.

You can learn and practice ways to manage stress as you connect with others.

Support groups are open to any adult providing care for someone 60 and older, or for someone of any age with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia.

Visit: [meet.zoho.com](https://meet.zoho.com). Enter the meeting key, which for the May 6 meeting is 106 794 6323.

For further information call Karen at (520) 432-2528, Ext. 221.

The Area Agency on Aging has a lot going on! Visit [the website](#) to learn about their many programs and trainings.

## SEACAP working remote

In response to COVID-19, the team at the SEACAP utility assistance program is working remote in May.

For both the Duncan and Clifton programs, call (982) 428-4653 with questions and concerns.

If you are talking with the folks at SEACAP and need more information about how to respond to the Census, they are ready to help!



*Fred Robinette is one of Greenlee County's licensed professionals. Apparently, he has a gentle touch.*

## Licensed professionals in Greenlee County

### Licensed Electricians

Sollers Construction – Bill Sollers- (928)-428-7047

Bloomfield/Velocity- Doug Gardner- (928) 235-6264

Jay's Construction – Vince Chlarson – (928)-651-1309

### Plumbing

Sollers Construction – Bill Sollers- (928)-428-7047

Bloomfield/Velocity- Doug Gardner- (928) 235-6264

Jay's Construction – Vince Chlarson – (928)-651-1309

Fred Robinette Construction – Fred Robinette – 909-208-4623

### Water well repairs

Allen Pump Company – Ty Allen- (928)-428-3273



# So many great stories!

By Ákos Kovach

There are so many reasons to love Greenlee County, but in this article we will only focus on the people of this remarkable and resilient community.

People who show up day after day to stock shelves, run the cash register and keep our parks clean. And the volunteers who sew masks, the men, women and children who check on neighbors to make sure they are healthy.

We see them waving at us from behind the steering wheel of their car, or at the post office as they rush from the box to their vehicle – wearing a mask but smiling all the way.

There are exceptional people out there performing heroic tasks. They deserve our respect and some acknowledgement, don't you think?

Who do you wish to recognize? Tell us their story. One day we will have a celebration and give thanks for what they do and how much we appreciate them.

To one and all who serve, protect and keep us safe and healthy – THANK YOU!



*PJ's is another of the local eateries chomping at the bit to get reopened. Everyone is hoping it won't be too long.*

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## Resilient AZ communities

Economic Development Week was created by the International Economic Development Council (IEDC) in 2016 to increase awareness of local programs that create jobs, advance career development opportunities, and improve the quality of life in communities everywhere.

Over the span of four years, more than 450 campaigns have been created throughout the United States and Canada, creating millions of impressions, hundreds of news stories, blog entries, videos, events and other activities.

Campaigns occurred in all 50 American states in 2019, with more than 60 communities officially proclaiming Economic Development Week.

The International Economic Development Council is a non-profit, non-partisan membership organization serving economic developers. With more than 5,000 members, IEDC is the largest organization of its kind.

When we succeed, our members create high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions. IEDC's programs offer world-class professional development, accreditation, research and advocacy.

Visit the IEDC Economic Development Week [website](#) here!

### Development Week in Arizona

Our theme this year is Resilient Arizona Communities.

Over the course of the week, we will be highlighting the ways Arizona communities are staying strong during the COVID-19 pandemic through innovation and collaboration. We will be sharing mini-interviews, webinars, resources, and featuring Arizona communities on our social media channels and [website](#). Follow #aaedAZ #resilientAZ #aztogether #EconDevWeek and #EDW2020.