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Trains and more trains Fall, on the Coronado Trail Woman of the Year

## The Greenlee Clarion

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#### **November Clarion**

Deadline for submitting articles for the November Clarion is October 29. The issue will be published on November 5.

### From one vet to another

#### By Ákos Kovach

It's not charity, it is not welfare – these are benefits you earned – you paid for them. You wore the uniform to honor your country, you served. Those who served did so in many ways, some on the front lines, others caring for the wounded.

Maybe you were in transportation or logistics – regardless of your MOS you saw things. You heard things. You felt things that have stayed with you. Some of your friends did not come back, others came back with broken bodies and crushed spirits. But there is help you earned – just waiting for you to call.

It hurts my inner core every time I read or hear about a veteran in distress. He or she served this Great Nation in uniform. The after-effects of their service may linger even decades later.

Yet they suffer in silence. They become ill, endure physical and mental pain – yet they refuse or are reluctant to ask for help let accept AHCCCS, Medicare, Tricare or VA assistance. If this sounds like someone you know –



or if this describes you - please continue reading.

#### A little support

Too many veterans (both young and old) need a little support, sometimes just a compassionate person to share thoughts with in a moment of crises. Let's stop the epidemic of warrior suicides. Let's hit the brakes on suffering mental or physical pain when relief is within your grasp. Greenlee County has services and support available for veterans – don't give up.

Come, join us - be among other former service members at any of the local American Legion Posts – Clifton 28, Solomon Post 95, or Safford Post

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#### On the Cover

Lots of railroad stuff this month, including the arrival of the world's biggest steam locomotive along the UP line, and more information about the new owner of the railway that services local mines.

## More than just kicks on old 666

#### By Ákos Kovach

Some take the Coronado Trail Scenic Byway in a sports car, others hit the curves in the safe comfort of their SUV and the Wild Ones make the trek on 2- or 3-wheeled motorcycles.

Regardless of your mode of travel, the breathtaking views, the crisp fresh air, the tall pines all add up to an experience well worth the time on this well maintained highway that climbs from Clifton at roughly 3,400 feet until you reach Hannagan Meadow Lodge at 9,000 feet.

Fall colors happen mostly over the course of a month to two months as birches, oaks, aspen and other trees turn on their colors at varying times depending on moisture and temperature.

Mostly it's in October, but into

November you can see highlights of bright yellows, brilliant reds and those heavenly hues of peach and orange that tantalize your inner spirit.

#### Leave plenty of time!

But we urge you to make extra time on this odyssey. Why? So you can take advantage of the dozens of places you can pull off the highway to view the vast scenery, enjoy the solitude or listen to the trees as they speak an ancient tongue.

There are several stops that offer restrooms, while other locations are perfect for camping. Are you a birder? You are in for a treat. If wildlife is your passion, stay still – be quiet and watch the woods come alive as the well camouflaged locals move about



among the trees and bushes.

See the whelps scurry from one sniffing point to the next. Or how about enjoying the new poults as they squawk their new songs? Ever watched a kit paddle in circles in a pool of blue mountain water?

Come and experience the true sounds of silence. Those that come from a place far removed from our daily grind.

But we do ask – "pack out more than you pack in." If you bring a picnic, great, but pack out the leftovers and remains. See someone else's thoughtless soda can or water bottle, please pick it up and deposit in any of the several bear-proof trash containers along the route.

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Here's Union Pacific's Big Boy locomotive and the crew that was working to restore her.

## **Big Boy coming through S. Arizona**

Union Pacific's historic Big Boy steam locomotive No. 4014 is touring the Union Pacific system throughout 2019 to commemorate the transcontinental railroad's 150th anniversary.

The Big Boy's return to the rails is the product of more than two years of meticulous restoration work by the Union Pacific Steam Team. No. 4014 is the world's only operating Big Boy locomotive.

Due to the dynamic nature of these operations, running times and scheduled stops are subject to change. The most accurate steam

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#### Saturday, Oct. 19

**Benson**, Patagonia St. Crossing Arrival: 8:45 a.m. Depart: 9:15 a.m.

**Willcox**, Near intersection of Maley St. and Railview Ave. Arrival: 11 a.m. Depart: 11:15 a.m.

**Bowie**, Central Avenue Crossing Arrival: noon Depart: 12:30 p.m.

**Lordsburg**, N.M., East A St. & Gold St. Arrival: 3:30 p.m. MT (that's daylight time)

<u>Click here</u> to see entire schedule and route map.

## **Big Boy** . . . continued from page 4

schedule information always will be located <u>on this page</u>.

#### **Some history**

Twenty-five Big Boys were built exclusively for Union Pacific Railroad, the first of which was delivered in 1941. The locomotives were 132 feet long and weighed 1.2 million pounds. Because of their great length, the frames of the Big Boys were "hinged," or articulated, to allow them to negotiate curves.

They had a 4-8-8-4 wheel arrangement, which meant they had four wheels on the leading set of "pilot" wheels which guided the engine, eight drivers, another set of eight drivers, and four wheels following which supported the rear of the locomotive. The massive engines normally operated between Ogden, Utah, and Cheyenne, Wyo.

There are seven Big Boys on



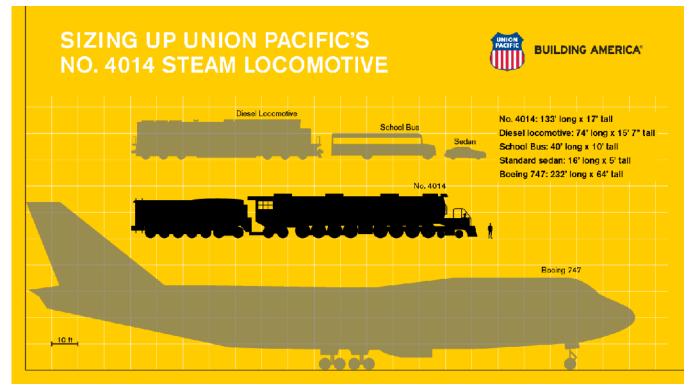
To watch a video of Big Boy, <u>click here</u>.

public display in various cities around the country. They can be found in St. Louis, Missouri; Dallas, Texas; Omaha, Nebraska; Denver, Colorado; Scranton, Pennsylvania; Green Bay, Wisconsin; and Cheyenne, Wyoming.

#### 4014 dates to 1941

Big Boy No. 4014 was delivered to Union Pacific in December 1941. The locomotive was

retired in December 1961, having traveled 1,031,205 miles in its 20 years in service. Union Pacific reacquired No. 4014 from the RailGiants Museum in Pomona, California, in 2013, and relocated it back to Cheyenne to begin a multi-year restoration process. It returned to service in May 2019 to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Transcontinental Railroad's Completion.



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## Who is new owner of railroad?

As the Greenlee Clarion reported in September, Genesee & Wyoming Inc., which owns Arizona Eastern Railway, is being acquired in an \$8.4 billion transaction by Brookfield Infrastructure Partners.

Who is Brookfield?

It describes itself as "a leading global infrastructure company that owns and operates high-quality, long-life assets in the utilities, transport, energy and data infrastructure sectors across North and South America, Asia Pacific and Europe. We are focused on assets that generate stable cash flows and require minimal maintenance capital expenditures."

The company is listed on the New York and Toronto stock exchanges. Its website is www.brookfield.com/infrastructure.

Its sectors include utilities, transport, energy and data infrastructure.

Its utility business spans five countries on four continents and includes 6.7 million electricity and gas connections, 2,000 kilometers of regulated natural gas pipeline and 2,200 kilometers of electric transmission lines.

#### **Owns rail, ports, toll roads**

In transport, it owns and operates port, rail and toll road assets moving freight, bulk commodities and passengers across five continents.

That includes 10,300 kilometers of rail, 4,200 kilometers of toll roads and 37 ports.

Its energy businesses are in Australia, Canada and the U.S., and generate stable revenues through



long-term contracts with large-scale customers.

They include 16,500 kilometers of natural gas pipeline, 600 billion cubic feet of natural gas storage and 1.6 million residential customers.

Its data infrastructure businesses provide essential services and critical infrastructure to transmit and store data globally.

They include 7,000 multipurpose towers and active rooftop sites, 10,000 kilometers of fiber backbone and 52 data centers, including seven that are under construction.

G&W owns a portfolio of 120 short-line railroads, predominantly in North America, with operations in Europe and Australia. Through its subsidiaries worldwide, the business provides transportation infrastructure services over more than 26,000 kilometers of track.

Brookfield has said the original transaction included G&W's 51% interest in an Australian business, it has agreed to sell this stake to a consortium led by the existing 49% owner.

#### Mining expertise

Because some of G&W's business involves mining, it is interesting to note that Brookfield is bring on a new director, Daniel Muñiz Quintanilla, who most recently was Managing Director and Executive Vice President of Americas Mining Corp., the holding company of the Mining Division of Grupo Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V.

The infrastructure company also said that in mid-July, it signed an agreement to acquire a co-controlling interest in two operational natural gas pipelines which carry low-cost U.S. natural gas into the Mexican industrial heartland. It will be investing alongside our institutional investors and BIP will be deploying \$150 million of equity. These pipelines were built in 2016 and represent critical infrastructure supplying Mexico's growing Central and West gas demand regions with natural gas from Texas.

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#### Copperhead

While we're on the subject of railroads, and of restoration, to the right is an envelope that was created to celebrate Clifton's centennial back in 1973. It features both the restored Copperhead locomotive from the Coronado Railroad and the traditional prospector and burro. The engine is on permanant display across from the old depot on 191.





### Fall foliage . . .

Bears? Oh yes. And mountain lions, bobcat, coatimundi, whitetailed deer, rabbits, quail, doves, and squirrel abound.

Yes this is just one aspect of Greenlee County, Arizona. Where the White Mountains meet the Black Hills. Home to the birthplace of Geronimo. Host to several miles of the Grand Enchantment Trail, Wild Bunch Trail, Murder Camp and abandoned sites allegedly inhabited by spirits from beyond.

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Greenlee County offers World Class Customer Service, great eats, fun shopping – (Duncan, Clifton & Morenci), incredible views and you should take a peek at North America's largest openpit copper mine – the juggernaut Morenci mine.

But wait — there's more, and you can find out by taking a day trip. Better yet, stay a day or two.

Need tips? Look us up on the web – here are a few places to start your search: (copy and paste

into your browser)

https://growinggreenlee.org/; http://www.visitgreenleecounty.com/;

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http://cometoclifton.com/;

https://www.localfirstazfoundation.org/greenlee

## Woman of the Year deadlines

The Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year Committee is happy to announce they are now accepting applications for the Seventh Annual Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year Award. All nominations must be received by 5 p.m. on Oct. 10. Nomination requirements and forms can be found online by visiting the EAC Small Business Development Center Facebook page at www.facebook.com/eacsbdc. Printed forms can also be picked up at the Graham or Greenlee Chambers, or the EAC Small Business Development Center.

#### **Ceremony Oct. 24**

An awards ceremony will be held on Oct. 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the Eastern Arizona College Gerald L. Hoopes Activity Center Dining Hall where all nominees who attend will be recognized and receive a gift.

Two of these nominees, one from Graham County and one from Greenlee County, will be recognized as our Grand Prize Winners and each will receive \$1,000 and a \$500 radio advertising package from Double R Communications. All community members, especially small business women owners, are invited to come celebrate and help acknowledge their entrepreneur sisters, and are asked to RSVP to the EAC SBDC at 928-428-8590, no later than Oct. 23. Anyone with questions may call Charmaine Chidester at 928-428-8276

#### **October special month**

October is National Women's Small Business month and local



organizations have once again, joined together to recognize the contributions of our local ladies involved in entrepreneurship and community involvement. The committee consists of members from Eastern Arizona College Small Business Development Center, Freeport McMoRan, Graham County Chamber of Commerce, Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce, Woman's Club of Safford, American Association of University Women, Eastern Arizona Courier and Double R Communications

#### Nomination deadline Oct. 10

Nominations are now being accepted from the community to select a woman in Graham or Greenlee County who owns a business and is also active in her community. "The Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year Committee is so excited to be able to recognize these hard-working ladies who contribute so much to our community; both through their businesses and outside their businesses." stated EAC business counselor, Charmaine Chidester.

#### Some past winners

Two deserving business women, one from Graham County and one from Greenlee County, will each receive \$1,000 and a \$500 radio advertising package from Double R Communications. Past winners include: Janet Quinn, owner of Trophies 'N' Tees, Kally Efros, owner of Indigo Mountain Wellness, Toys and Gifts, Dr. Debbie Chapman, owner of Desert Cross Veterinary Hospital, Sheryl Goodman, owner of Taylor Freeze, Jenny Rogers, owner of Safford Dance Academy, Susan Snyder, owner of Chase Creek Marketplace, Jenny Howard, owner of Ginaveve's Market Place and Meghan Wagley, owner of Chaparral Mini Mart & Motel.

Go here for more information: <u>https://conta.cc/30oCVdF</u>

### Women@Work set for Oct. 4

The 2019 Southeastern Arizona Women@Work conference will be held Oct. 4 at Cochise College in Sierra Vista. It starts at 10 a.m. and runs through 4 p.m., with registration and breakfast starting at 9:15 a.m.

It will be held in the Commu-

nity Room in the Student Union, 901 N. Colombo Ave.

Tickets are \$45 per person.

Its goal is to bring together women from local communities together to inspire them and dto connect them with like-minded women, The Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year Committee is pleased to announce....

### 7th Annual Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year Awards

An event to celebrate women business owners in the Gila Valley!

October is "National Women's Small Business Month." What better way to celebrate than to

honor local women business owners!

Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year *Gwards* 

2019

#### How Does It Work?

- Nominate any local woman small business owner you think deserves to win this award.
- Nominations will be reviewed by an appointed committee and two winners, one from Graham County and one from Greenlee County, will be selected.
- At a reception held on Thursday, October 24, 2019, at 6:30 pm, all nominees who attend will be recognized and receive a gift. Two of the nominees, one from Graham County and one from Greenlee County, will be recognized as our Grand Prize Winners and each will receive \$1,000 and a \$500 radio advertising package from Double R Communications.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- 1. Nominee must be the owner or part-owner of a small business, headquartered in Graham or Greenlee County.
- 2. A small business is defined as having 50 employees or less.
- 3. Nominee must be an active owner, in business for <u>at least</u> three years.
- 4. Nominee should show evidence of community involvement.
- 5. Self-nominations are accepted.
- Multiple nominations for the same business person are accepted, but finalists will be selected based on quality and not quantity of nominations submitted.
- 7. The following are excluded from this award:
  - Independent consultants (Scentsy, DoTerra, Avon, etc.)
  - Managers, VP, CFO, CEO of a business
  - Previous grand prize winners of the Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year Awards (however, finalists of previous awards are still eligible)



More than 11.6 million businesses are owned by women, employing nearly 9 million people and generating \$1.7 trillion in sales in 2017. This accounts for 39% of privately owned businesses in the U.S. The Gila Valley Small Business Woman of the Year Committee was formed to encourage and promote the celebration of these achievements.

#### For more information, go to the following link: https://conta.cc/30oCVdF

Nomination forms are available at the Graham County Chamber of Commerce <u>or</u> Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce. An online nomination form is also available at <u>www.facebook.com/eacsbdc</u>. Please return completed forms to the Graham County Chamber of Commerce or Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce before 5:00pm on Thursday, October 10, 2019.

#### Questions: Charmaine Chidester (928) 428-8276 or email: charmaine.chidester@eac.edu



## The Gila Native Plant Nursery



## **Native plants for your yard**

Landscape your yard with native plants! Plant your own pollinator garden or plant the ultimate, carefree desert landscape with cacti and succulents.

On Friday and Saturday, October 4-5, The Gila Native Plant Nursery will have native plants for sale to the public, from 9-4 each day.

Over 5,000 native and drought-tolerant plants will be available for purchase, including a variety of native desert trees, cacti succulents, native grasses, and pollinator plants.

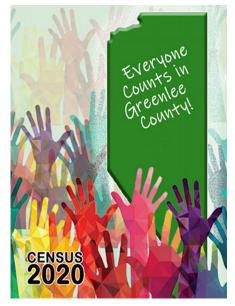
On Saturday, gardening workshops and demonstrations about various gardening topics will be presented.

The plant sale will take place at The Gila Native Plant Nursery at EAC Discovery Park, 1651 W Discovery Park Blvd, Safford, AZ 85546.

The Gila Native Plant Nursery was established in 2013 to help provide native plants and trees for riparian applications. Their purpose has grown to include contract grows for clients requiring specific plants for habitat restoration, and also provides southeast Arizona residents with a local source of native plants, including pollinator and low-water use species.

Along with the Gila Watershed Partnership, their founding partners, the Bureau of Land Management – Safford Field Office and Eastern Arizona College Discovery Park continue to provide significant and ever-present support.

To learn more about the Gila Native Plant Nursery, go to www. gwpaz.org/nursery.



Thank you for stopping by the Census 2020 booth at the Greenlee County Fair to learn more about the census.

#### **Southwestern Communities Coalition**

Promoting thriving communities, sustainable growth, a strong economy, sound stewardship of natural resources and protection of property rights.

Learn more and join

### **Upcoming Activities**

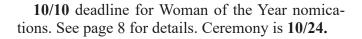
**10/4-5** Gila native plant sale, see page 10 for details.

**10/4 6** p.m., Morenci Arena, Mutton Bustin' Rodeo, see page 16 for details.

10/5 (and 11/2) 8 a.m. 3-gun tournament, see page 16 for details.

**10/5** 10-2 Rainwater harvesting workshop. See page 16 for details.

**10/8** 8 a.m. Board Room, Courthouse Annex, Board of Supervisors meeting.



**10/12** Cornhole tournament in Lordsburg, see page 16 for details.

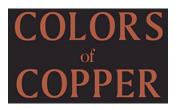


**10/19** Big Boy will be in Benson, Willcox, Bowie, Lordsburg. See page 4 for times and details.

**10/22** 8 a.m. Board Room, Courthouse Annex, Board of Supervisors meeting.



**Throughout the month**, Halloween and fall-related events. See page 15.



**11/1-3** Colors of Copper, see announcement on page 13.

**11/2** 9-4 Fall Festival on Chase Creek.

See announcement on page 14.



**Don't write your ending...** 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Coty Denogean Memorial

**11/9** 9 a.m., Coty Denogean Memorial Walk. See page 12 for details.

The Greenlee County Library Systems has scheduled STEAM events for the rest of this school year. For these events, and others sponsored by the libraries at Clifton and Duncan, <u>click here</u>.

For other activities around Greenlee County, check out various articles in this magazine.

Regular events include Farmers Markets in Clifton and Duncan and Every Second Saturday on Chase Creek.

See Morenci School District calendar at <u>its web-</u> <u>site.</u>



A game created for the Census 2020 booth at the recent Greenlee County Fair, which was celebrating its 100th anniversary.

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32. Or join a group like the Mares Bluff Veteran's Memorial where they honor all service members from World War I to present day.

Please know, you are not alone  $\sim$  but it's kinda like being in school, raise your hand – reach out. Someone is waiting to reach back.

#### VA office in Safford

<u>VA resources</u>. Use your zip code to find resources.

<u>Military Helpline</u> – call or text Call 888-457-4838 or Text MIL1 to 839863

<u>Veterans Crisis Helpline</u>. Confidential. Toll free, call, text or online chat Call: 1-800-273-8255 then Press 1 Chat: Click here to start a chat Text: any message to 838255

#### Veteran News

PTSD symptoms

More about PTSD symptoms.



Duncan utility assistance program will be on Oct. 15 and Nov. 12, from 9-11:45 a.m. at Duncan Heights.

Clifton utility assistance, for utility service applications, will be by inquiry only. Oct. 15 and Nov. 12 will be the next assistance days.

Clients must call in to schedule appointments.

Information is available at 928-428-4653 or 1-800-293-1144. Call to determine what to bring along.





## Veterans Conference Friday, Oct. 11, 2019

### VETERANS MAKING An Impact

10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Tucson Convention Center – Leo Rich Theatre 260 S. Church Ave.

Free parking in TCC parking Lot B

#### **Event includes:**

- Panel of successful entrepreneur speakers sharing stories of personal triumph, becoming self-made and making an impact
- A fun afternoon networking with other veterans
- Expo area, opens at 9 a.m., with more than 30 veterans support organizations
- World-renowned singing group the Manhattan Dolls
- Free pass to attend the TENWEST Impact Festival

Seating is limited. Register Now at https://bit.ly/2YkBqAM For more information, contact 520-206-4580 or amartinez276@pima.edu.



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**###** Keep striving.

♦ 9-9:30 Registration/T-shirts
♦ 9:30-10 Testimonials/Balloon release



- 2.1 mile low impact walk
- Lunch provided for walk participants

\$50/50 raffle for scholarship

Don't write your ending... 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual

Coty Denogean Memorial Suicide Awareness Walk Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 9am

Morenci High School football field Contact: Ron Campbell (928) 965-0949 or Theresa Campbell (602) 762-0511



## **Grants available for broadband**

PHOENIX, AZ – The Arizona Commerce Authority is now accepting grant applications for broadband enhancement in rural Arizona communities.

The Arizona Rural Broadband Development Grant will be used to support planning and deployment, enabling Arizona communities to more easily access broadband services.

The \$3 million in funding was requested by Governor Doug Ducey and approved by the Arizona

### **Radio Lunch Club**

Get to know the Radio Lunch Club of Greenlee County

What is it.? It's a great way to get the word out about your eatery here in Greenlee County.

On Tuesdays, it's at Gi'Mees Restaurant, York Valley.

On Wednesdays, it's at Michelle's Bar and Grill.

And on Fridays, it's at Taqueria Sarap in Clifton.

Special prices on special meals on those days.

Sponsor is Kat Kountry, 94.5 FM.

### **Life After Loss**

Life After Loss, a grief and bereavement support group, will meet Oct. 10 and Nov. 14, at noon each day, at the Duncan Public Library, and Oct. 7 and Nov. 4 at 10 a.m. ata tahe Clifton Public Library.

Call 928-228-3935 for details. There is no cost.

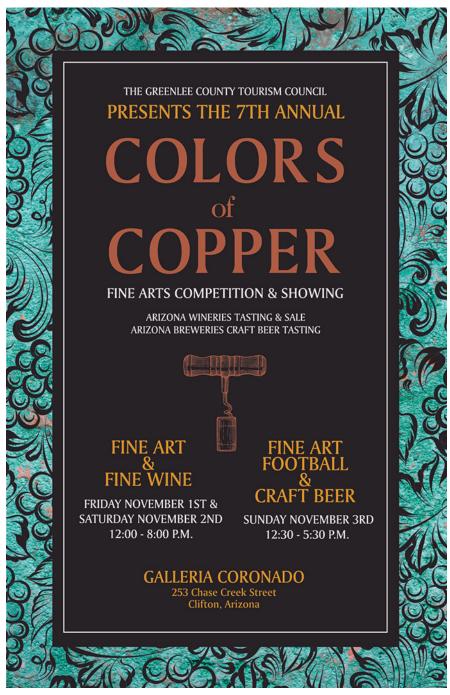
The meetings help attendees know the stages of grief and how to support the grieving.

These are sponsored by Eden Health.

State Legislature for the fiscal year 2020 budget.

Eligible applicants are Arizona cities and towns with a population of fewer than 150,000 that are not part of a larger contiguous metro area; Arizona counties with a population of fewer than 750,000; federally-based Indian tribes located in Arizona; established non-profit enterprises focused on economic development in Arizona; and for-profit enterprises with a minimum of five years operating history in the telecommunications industry.

Applications must be submitted by Oct. 28. For application details, visit the <u>ACA broadband</u> <u>site.</u>



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### **Chamber mixer at Fernandez Park**

**From The Copper Era** CLIFTON — The Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce is teaming with Mt. Graham Safe House to promote Domestic Violence Awareness.

On Oct. 23, beginning at 5:30 p.m., Mt. Graham Safe House will present the Light Up the Night Domestic Violence Awareness event at Fernandez Park in Clifton for the October Chamber of Commerce Mixer.

There will be performances by the Morenci High School band and Junior High School choir, and hamburgers will be served by the Morenci Lions Club.

Guests will hear the stories of survivors and victims who have experienced the pain of domestic violence in their lives.

Earlier, on Oct. 1, Mt. Graham Safe House will host a Candle Light Walk in Graham County, starting at the county courthouse at 6 p.m.

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the United States, which began in 1981 with the first Day of Unity

### 2019 mixers

Here's a list of Greenlee Chamber mixers for the remainder of the year:

**Oct. 23**, hosted by Mt. Graham Safe House.

**Nov. 20**, hosted by Greenlee County Historical Museum on Chase Creek Street.

**Dec. 18**, Annual FMI Mixer with Special announcements.

Ask about becoming a Chamber member. See Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce on Facebook or call the chamber at (928) 965-7943.

organized by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Domestic Violence Awareness Month was recognized to help end violence against women and children and, later, men.

In the United States, as many as one in three women, and one in four men, have experienced

Click here to read more

#### **Lordsburg Chamber**

The Lordsburg Chamber of Commerce will hold its Mix & Mingle at the chamber office, 206 Main Street, Oct. 10 from 5-6 p.m.

Sponsor PNM will give each attendee an LED light bulb.

Come network with friends and neighbors.

Refreshments will be served at the event.



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## Halloween events



Join us for our first Floating Pumpkin Patch! This event puts a spin on traditional pumpkin picking by having a pumpkin patch in the pool! In addition to picking a pumpkin, we will have painting stations where kids can decorate their pumpkin and take it home!



For more information or to sign up, log onto morenci.recdesk.com or call (928) 865-6598





## Rainwater Harvesting Workshop



Greenlee County Cooperative Extension Office, 1684 Fairgrounds Road, Duncan Arizona 85534 Saturday, October 5th. 10am to 2pm

Morning class room presentation

Lunch and conversation

Field trip, to see the benefits and methods used in Duncan and York Valley.

Harvesting rainwater can be simple as digging shallow trenches to direct water to plants during storms, as high tech as storing water to provide automatic drip irrigation during the dry season, or anything in between. When harvested over a large area, even low amounts of precipitation really add up!

The cost of this workshop is \$10.00 to the general public and is no charge to those enrolled in the Greenlee County Master Gardener program.

For further information on this & future garden workshops, as well as the Master Gardener

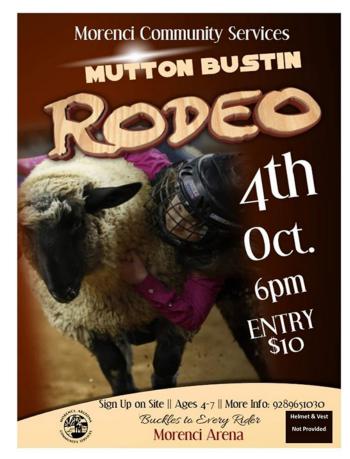
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### 2020 Census workshop

Cochise County's Census Complete Count Committee invites you to a Census Solutions Workshop on Oct. 24, from 9-1, at Cochise College in Sierra Vista.

The event is to inform community members, groups, organizations and businesses about the upcoming 2020 Census, to let you know how you can help ensure an accurate count, to forge cross-sector collaboration, and find innovative ways to reach hard-to-count populations.

Deadline for <u>registration</u> is Oct. 18. Seating is limited and registration is necessary.



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## **New staff at Greenlee County**

#### **Connie Waddell**

Connie Waddell just started working part time with Phil Ronnerud in the County Engineering office. Her family first moved to Greenlee County in 1998 when she went to work for Phelps Dodge as a mining engineer.

Waddell retired from the mine 8 years ago, but when she saw the County was looking for a GIS tech she jumped at the opportunity. "Looking at information in map format gives a totally different perspective than just looking at columns of numbers!"



#### Jean Schwennesen

Jean Schwennesen joined the Engineering Department as a part-time, temporary Planning Technician on September 11, 2019.

She lives on Cold Creek Ranch where she and her husband, Eric, operate a cow-calf/stocker operation with a major emphasis on watershed improvement.

They have had over 200 ranch interns through the WWOOF program (World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms).

Out of the WWOOF program, they have developed as a winter guest ranch. They have had guests from England, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Spain and Canada as well as the occasional one from the US. They also host a small Airbnb, "the Yellow House," on Mule Creek Highway. Jean has a degree in Agricultural Production as well as Masters' in Agricultural Education and Landscape Architecture.



#### Erica Gonzalez

Erica Gonzalez, Assistant Economic Development Coordinator, began working with Greenlee County Economic Development on Friday, Sept. 13.

She recently moved to Clifton

from Las Cruces, New Mexico. She has over 10 years of work history in the non-profit, local government, state government and private sector.

Her professional experience includes housing, community building and economic development programs with a focus on Colonia Communities. Ms. Gonzalez holds a degree in Business Management.



## Manufacturers looking at non-traditional sites

#### **From Area Development**

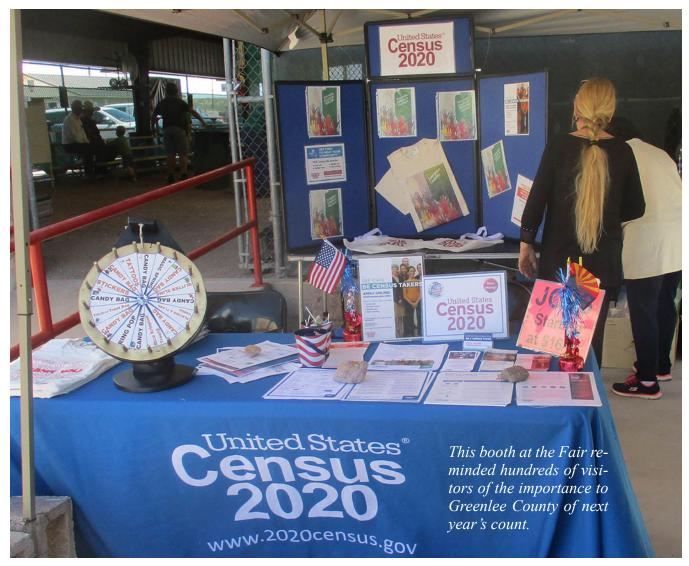
Newly created manufacturing jobs, which require more skills than those that were lost, are not necessarily going to places where they were eliminated.

We've heard the political drumbeat: jobs, jobs, jobs! Politicians campaigning in the 2020 elections will beat that drum even louder.

President Trump claims that his administration is "restoring jobs" and that states and counties that were depressed under the Obama administration are now experiencing strong growth. Yet a June 13, 2019 article in The New York Times entitled "In the Race for Factory Jobs Under Trump, the Midwest Isn't Winning" <u>click here to read more</u>



National First Responders Day is Oct. 28. In their honor, FMI dedicated its "First In Last Out" locomotive on Oct. 2. Photo by Erica Gonzalez.



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