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It was coming up to Christmas and the Judge was in a holiday frame of mind.

"Now then, please tell me what is the charge against you?"

"I was caught doing my Christmas shopping very early," replied the man.

"That doesn't seem like an offense to me. What do you mean by 'very early'?"

"Well, your Honor." said the defendant, "It was before the shop was open."

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It was coming up to Christmas and Sammy asked his mum if he could have a new bike. So, she told him that the best idea would be to write to Santa Claus. But Sam, having just played a vital role in the school nativity play, said he would prefer to write to the baby Jesus. So his mum told him that would be fine.

Sam went to his room and wrote 'Dear Jesus, I have been a very good boy and would like to have a bike for Christmas.'

But he wasn't very happy when he read it over. So he decided to try again and this time he wrote 'Dear Jesus, I'm a good boy most of the time and would like a bike for

Christmas.' He read it back and wasn't happy with that one either.

He tried a third version. 'Dear Jesus, I could be a good boy if I tried hard and especially if I had a new bike.' He read that one too, but he still wasn't satisfied.

So he decided to go out for a walk while he thought about a better approach. After a short time he passed a house with a small statue of the Virgin Mary in the front garden. He crept in, stuffed the statue under



his coat, hurried home and hid it under the bed.

Then he wrote this letter. 'Dear Jesus, If you want to see your mother again, you'd better send me a new bike.'

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What is green, covered in Christmas lights and Christmas bulbs, and goes ribbit? A mistle-toad.

How do sheep say Merry Christmas to each other? Fleece Navidad.

What did the bald man say when he got a comb for Christmas? "I'll never part with it!"

What is a vegan's favorite Christmas song? Soy to the World!

Elves use what kind of money? Jingle bills.

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The man entered in a rather aimless manner and after some hesitation flopped into a chair and looked nervously around the room.

"Well, it's like this" said the man. "I keep

thinking I'm a moth." "A moth?"

"Yes," the man replied. "I'm convinced that I'm a moth."

"Well, I'm very sorry, but you're in the

wrong place. What you need is a psychiatrist." "That's what I've been thinking," replied the man.

"Well, as it happens, I know just the man," said the doctor. "I'll give him a call and see if he can set up an appointment for you after

> The man agreed and the doctor made the appointment.

Tell me," said the doctor, "it must have been very apparent from the sign outside that I'm a general practitioner. So if you already know you need to see a psychiatrist, why did you come in?"

"Well" the man said in a resigned voice, "the door was open and the lights were on...."



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Things To Do & Places To Go



CHURCHES/RELIGIOUS

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Bisbee Church of Christ 224 Bisbee Road, Bisbee, Wed. Bible Study 5:30pm, Sun. Bible Study 10am, Sun. Worship 11AM. Everyone welcome

Broken Arrow offers 3 church services a week. Nursery - teen church available during regular Sun. morning service. www. Brokenarrowbaptistchurch.com

First Messianic Congregation, featuring music, teaching. Saturdays 3pm, Barter Feed Store, 2281 Hwy 90, Whetstone 520-335-7075

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Church Service every Sunday at 10:30AM at Calvary Baptist Church, 2300 W. Calvary Ln, Benson. 520-586-4408. Come in to church or sit in your car.

Bible Study at Community Center, Sunsites, AZ at 5:30pm.

Community Presbyterian Church 590 S Huachuca St Annex, Benson, AZ TOPS Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tuesday 4:00pm -5:30pm

Country Estates Baptist Church. Come on by and visit us at 5700 S. Hwy 92, Sierra Vista 520-378-2836

BSF Community Bible Study Women"s Class on Tuesdays 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM. Host Church: Village Meadows Baptist Church 1407 El Camino Real Sierra Vista.

Adult Bible Study on Genesis, Wed 6PM, **Bethel Chapel Assembly of God**, 10 N. 1st St, Tombstone, AZ 520-366-654

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Singles club will not meet on Dec 26. Will reconvene on January 9.



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2nd & 4th Friday of each month 4-7pm

1st Christian Church 55 Kings Way, Sierra Vista (off Hwy 90)

GROUPS/CLASSES

Breast Cancer Support Group This group is for women who have experienced all phases of breast cancer. We invite you to navigate this challenging journey with friends who understand. Questions? 520-490-5996 Facilitator is an over 30 year cancer survivor. Time and location is TBD.

Do you like gardening? Church community garden in Douglas could use your help! Every Thurs or Fri. Call or text 970-231-8804

Living with Loss. Wedsdays, 9 -10:30AM. St. Raphael Church, 730 S. Hwy. 80, Benson.

Soaring Spirits Widow Group, 1st and 3rd Mondays, 3:15pm at 86 Cafe, 700 E 4th St., Benson AZ. You are not alone! Open to Widows and Widowers 805-910-5363

Benson Women"s Club meets at 269 San Pedro, second Thursday each month. Call 520-586-2976 for times. Bridge played each Friday 12-4 PM.

Legal Aid is in Douglas every 1st and 3rd Tues. to accept service applications & assist. County Building, 1012 North G Avenue, Douglas.

Sunsites Community Library **Together We Lose weight loss support group.** Every Thurs. 9:30 - 10:30AM. Let"s inspire each other! Contact Anita 520-241-2011

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No Fear Painting Workshop, Sundays at Benson VFW 1 to 3pm \$35.00 Supplies provided. Proceeds go to Cochise College Scholarships. Info, call Kathy 916-708-1234

Celebrate Recovery Friday nights 6:30 PM starting May 5th. A safe place to recover from your hurts, habits, and hang ups. Community Bible Church, 714 S J-6 Ranch Road, Benson. For questions call 520-586-2747

Dementia Caregiver Support Group meets on the 3rd Thurs. of every month from 10:30am to noon at the Sierra Vista Public Library conference room. Share needs, concerns, and resources. Provided by the Alzheimer"s Association.

Are you or someone you know grieving the loss of a loved one? **Grief Share support group** meets every Wed in Madonna Hall, Room #3, 5 to 6:30 PM. St. Andrews Church, 800 Taylor Dr, Sierra Vista, AZ 520-458-2925 or csm2_ic@ yahoo.com

Community Tea Talk every 1st Sat @ 3PM, Desert Rose Herb Store Info 520-685-9615



Starting January of 2026, High Low Swap Meet is kicking off the first weekend of January! We are looking for new vendors, food trucks, or any other thing you can swap. highlowswapmeet@gmail. com for more information.



Things To Do & Places To Go



SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion Riders Post 45/Marine Corp League Detachment #1204 monthly Breakfast, 1st Sat. is Biscuits & Gravy or Pancakes \$10. Comes with scrambled eggs and sausage. 3rd Sat. is Breakfast Burritos or Pancakes, comes with scrambled eggs/ sausage. 105 W. 5th St. Benson Alleyway/ Concession trailer

Kiwanis Club of Sierra Vista meets 2nd & 4th Thur of each month at 5:30pm at Orient Express, 391 Fry Blvd. For info call Marge 520-508-3414

Pasta Dinner every 2nd Saturday of the month at the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Benson, 750 E 4th St. The public is welcome.

American Legion Riders Post 141 Sunsites/ Pearce offers 2 partial scholarships to accredited trade school in AZ to 2 graduating seniors (children of Military Veterans). Details alrcochisestronghold141@ gmail.com

VFW Post 9977 Pearce/Sunsites. Every Wednesday Potluck, 5:30PM.

The Warrior Healing Center is now serving veteran families! Text G2G to 888-713-9163 for event info or go to http://22toend22.com

CIVIL AIR PATROL, volunteer branch of the United States Air Force. Cadets ages 12-18 meet every Thurs from 6:30 to 8:30. Seniors Meet 1st and 3rd Tues at 6pm at Squadron headquarters (first left turn), Sierra Vista Airport. Info Capt. R. Swann at 520-249-8470 New members always welcome.

DINNER every Fri. night 5-7 pm and BREAKFAST every Sat. morning 8-10 am. Post 52 American Legion Sierra Vista. Public Welcome! 12 Theater Drive. Call to make sure meal has not been canceled. 520-459-6050

Pearl of Venus Chapter #6, Order of the Eastern Star, Meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. 2 PM Held at the Masonic Hall at 623 S. Foothills Dr. Benson AZ, for info 520-221-3591

San Pedro Masonic Lodge #55 meets the 4th Monday each month at 7 PM at 623 Foothills Dr., Benson AZ All members welcome. For info call Secy. Ar 520-529-2461

AA / AL-ANON / ADDICTION / RECOVERY MEETINGS

AA open meeting (Al-Anon welcome) Sun. 10:30am. CTRV Crow"s Nest, 1030 S. Barrel Cactus Ridge, Benson. For more info, contact Case 520-268-4542 or Lillie 612-414-2068

When you don"t know where to turn when someone drinks too much, **Al-Anon** can help. Wed at 6pm at the Serenity Club, 5049 Hwy 92 in Sierra Vista. http://al-anon.org/welcome

Monday Nights Addiction Meeting, 6pm. Free childcare provided (please let us know ahead). Broken Arrow Baptist Church, 1538 Hwy 191, Cochise.

Alcoholics Anonymous AA meetings at the Phillip and St. James Episcopal church at 784 Mountain ave. Morenci Az at 7pm on Tuesdays Contact person is Genevieve 720-550-1854

Alcoholics Anonymous - AA Meetings 1210 daily and 7pm on Friday. 637 H Ave. Contact Hector 520-335-5163

Celebrate Recovery: A safe place to recover from Hurts, Habits and Hang-Ups. Every Friday night at Community Bible Church, 714 S. J-Six Ranch Rd. Dinner starts at 6:15 - 520-586-2747

Does someone"s drinking bother you? **Al-Anon** can help. Safford meetings Tuesday 6:00pm House of Hope, 601 W 1st St., Friday 9:00am, River Church. 1726 S 1st Ave. All are welcome.

Alanon meeting for friends and family of a problem drinker. 6PM every Fri. at Grace Chapel 1050 S. Post Rd. Benson. Entrance on west side.

Does someone's drinking bother you? Find Support and Hope. call **Al-Anon** phone 1-520-323-2229 or **Al-Anon Family Group** 1-757-563-1600

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Bingo every Monday night at Butterfield RV Park, (Banquet Hall) 251 S. Ocotillo Av, Benson, AZ. Monday nights. Doors open at 5pm and Bingo starts promptly at 6:00pm. Come on out, have fun and maybe win some money.

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Bingo every Monday night, 6PM at Mescal Bar and Grill, 70 N Cherokee Trail, Benson.

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COMMUNITY

Discover Douglas Tours every 2nd and 4th Saturday. Visitorcenter@az.gov for reservations. Tours meet at 10AM at the Douglas Visitor Center, 345 16th St

Benson Beautification needs volunteers to help plan fun fundraising events benefiting Benson & Benson Beautification. If you can help, please call Cindy 520-631-5507

You can make a difference! **Join Healthy Huachuca City**. It"s free! Meetings held 1st Wednesday of the month at 5:30PM in Senior Center, 504 Gonzalez Blvd.

Greenlee County Tourism Council meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10am in the Art Depot iin the Historic train Station in Clifton, AZ. For more information: 928- 215-9502

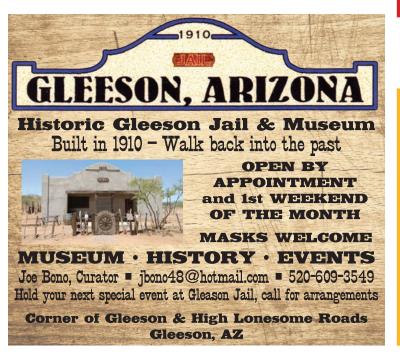
Enjoy a stroll every 2nd Sat. of the month on Chase Creek St. in Clifton, AZ. **Visit the 100 year old Historic District** between 11:00am until 6:00pm. It is a street party with music, food and vendors. www.visitcliftonaz.com

Free live country western music every Monday 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Rex Allen museum in Wilcox. Come on down!



What's red and white and falls down chimneys?

Santa Klutz!



Tombstone American Legion Blood Drive

Dec 23 – 1- 6 PM at the American Legion Hall 215 E Allen St., Tombstone For more info or appointment, call the

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What is Santa's primary language? North Polish.



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"Well," replied his friend, "I'd like to but I'm afraid I've got to stay home. My pet will become very anxious if I stay out late."

"Pet?" replied the young man "I didn't know you'd got one. What is it?"

"A centipede."

"A centipede? That's unusual. But that's no problem. Why don't you bring him with you?"

Ted agreed and the young man said he would collect him from his home.

On the following evening the young man knocked on Ted's door and found him pacing up and down the hallway in an impatient manner.

"Ready for the Christmas party?"

"No, I'm not" he replied.

"What's the problem?"

"I've been dressed for absolutely ages and Percy's still not ready."

"Percy?"

"Yes, my centipede. For goodness sake Percy, hurry up. We'll be late for the party at this rate," Ted yelled. Percy did not

respond.

After a few minutes, Ted yelled again, but this time he was extremely cross.

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"What are you doing?" yells the boss. "I'm a light bulb," says Mary.

"You've been working too hard. You'd better go home to bed!" the boss said.

So Mary drops down, grabs her bag and is off. Tom drops his tools and makes for the door.

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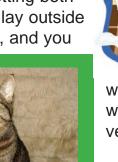
Now there are some dogs that have a lot more hair than they need. Using your common sense, of course, these dogs with a really thick coat and undercoat will not need a jacket or sweater. I know the weather will warm up but then it will get cold again. That is the way Arizona does.

Also for these people who have their dogs chained up outside (and I have never understood that

because if someone wants to break in your house they are not gonna care that a dog is in the backyard, it's chained up), the dog is not going to go after him. Of course he may bark, that's all it can do.

Walmart is selling nice little sweaters for dogs, very reasonable prices. Remember, that little dog did not ask to be YOUR dog. But since he is your dog, he expects you to take care of him. He will give you love, he will give you attention, and he will protect you. This being said, I would say you owe him at least a jacket to keep him warm this winter.

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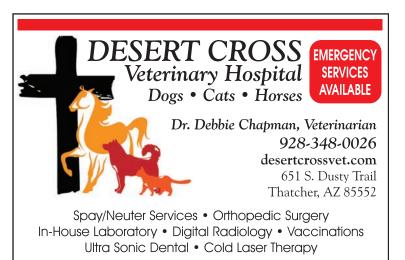
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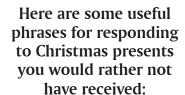
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- It's great; but I'm worried about the envy it may create.
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- Frankly, I don't deserve
- Really, you shouldn't







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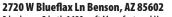
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"I would like the salad plate," said the second piggy.

"I want beer, lots and lots of beer," said the third little

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"The chocolate cheesecake, with whipped cream, please", said the second piggy.

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1 1/2 dozen (18) large eggs

1 cup whole milk

1 1/2 cups cheddar cheese, shredded

Heat oven to 375°F. Brown the sausage in a saute pan over medium heat for 3 minutes, breaking it into bite size pieces. Add the mushrooms, bell peppers, 1 tsp salt and pepper. Cook an

additional 5 minutes. Let cool. Drain.

In a bowl, beat the eggs and milk. Add remaining salt and cheese; stir to combine.

Add the bread cubes and cooled sausage mixture to a greased 13×9-inch baking dish. Toss to combine. Pour the egg mixture over the bread and sausage: press the bread mixture down gently to soak up some of the egg mixture. Cover the dish with foil and bake for 30 minutes; uncover and bake an additional 20 minutes. Serve immediately.

What goes "Oh, Oh, Oh"? Santa walking backward!





ONE OF A KIND CRAFTS!

As promised, the journey getting to know local Artist Katharina better is starting with this issue. First, a little background: Born and raised in West Germany, she spent the first 5 years of her life in a Catholic orphanage where the nuns thought it was a mortal sin being left handed; therefore, with nothing short of extreme measures, they made her become right handed. When she was finally adopted, she felt she was special. After all, this woman picked her out over a dozen other children; she did not have to have her... she wanted her. Needless to say, until the age of 18 she had a horrific childhood. Have you ever watched the movie Sybil? How about Mommy Dearest? Combine those two movies and that describes Katharina's home life (minus the multiple personalities) until she graduated and moved out on her own. Growing up in this type of an environment has made her into a much stronger person than most and made her who she is today. Her love of music (she has 1000+ 45s and just as many albums that she still listens to on her record player) and creating something with her hands has kept her going; kept her alive.

No one in her family was artistic. Katharina, on the other hand, loves to dabble in everything. At age 8 she would make mosaics, like a rooster, for example, out of a variety of beans and dried legumes. She has embroidered since the age of 10. Initially she was given embroidery kits to complete, but as she grew older she began embroidering from scratch. When it comes to crafts, her mind was and still is always one step ahead. She started collecting things: a feather, pieces of a broken vase, etc. She would think, "Hmmm, I could

use this in making a dreamcatcher" or "This would look good in a mosaic." She became an organized pack rat.

She loves making people happy, creating something they would enjoy having and surprising them with it, just because

Now in her 60s, this still holds true. Be sure to tune in next month as we continue the creative journey of Katharina's artistic life.

As a side note... a very important side note, Katharina would like to share the following with you: "To all my family, friends, customers (steadfast & loyal, new & inquisitive) and everyone else I may have bumped into or just met briefly, I want to wish you Happy Holidays! I am so grateful for your support this year.

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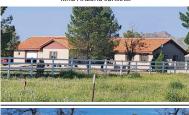


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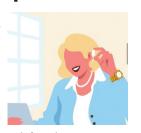




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The third surgeon says, you have to operate on electricians. Everything inside is color coded.

The fourth surgeon smirks and says, I prefer lawyers. They're heartless, spineless and gutless and their heads and butts are interchangeable.

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The old man raises an eyebrow. "What kind of game?"

The professor explains, grinning: "We take turns asking each other questions. If you don't know the answer, you give me a dollar. If I don't know, I give you a dollar."

The old man shakes his head. "No thanks."

The professor, eager to show off his intelligence, ups the stakes. "Okay, if I lose, I'll give you TWO dollars!"

"No."

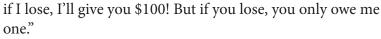
"Five dollars!"

"No."

"Ten dollars!"

"Still no."

Frustrated, the professor makes one final offer. "Alright,



The old man thinks for a moment, then sighs. "Fine. But I get to go first."

The professor agrees, feeling smug. "Go ahead."

The old man asks, "What has five heads, forty feet, and lives in a bucket?"

The professor frowns. He thinks. And thinks. And THINKS. An hour goes by. He's Googling, searching his brain, sweating bullets—but nothing. Finally, he sighs, pulls out his wallet, and hands the old man \$100.

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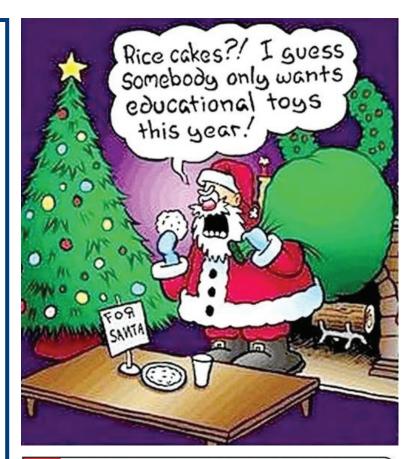
in my hand.'

The older woman felt very lowtech. Not to be outdone, she decided she had to do something just as impressive. She stepped out of the sauna and went to the bathroom. She returned with a piece of toilet paper hanging from her rear end.

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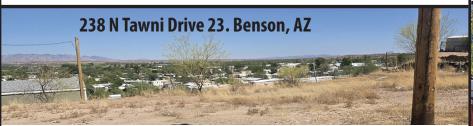


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