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#### LIBRARIES/BOOKS

Friends of the Benson Library Bookstore are Breast Cancer Support Group This group opened for your visit at our regular hours. Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday and the first and third Saturdays from 10AM to 2 PM. Masks required.

Free Book Boxes available from Cochise County Library in Pirtleville, Silver Creek, St. David, Double Adobe, San Simon, Dragoon, McNeal, Palominas, Whetstone, and Naco. See www.tinryurl.com/cochisebookboxes

Friend of Huachuca City Library meetings held monthly on 2nd Friday at 10AM in the library. Free.

BOOK SALE! 3RD Saturday of every month except December, large variety of books and magazines. Low prices! At the building north of Huachuca City Library.

#### COMMUNITY

Did you grow up in Huachuca City, know something about its history? The library is beginning a community history project, we need you! For info 520-456-1063

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 2nd Monday at 5:30PM in Senior Center, 504 Gonzalez Blvd.

**Greenlee County Tourism Council** meets 2nd Tuesday each month at 1pm at the Greenlee County Golf and Country Club. Pot luck and raffle. 928-865-3313

Enjoy a stroll every second Saturday 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.

#### **VOLUNTEERS/DRIVES**

Benson Hospital Auxiliary always needs new members. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Membership chairperson Sue at 520-265-2536

VICAP is operating and is in need of VOLUNTEER drivers to provide transportation to and from doctors, shopping, and other needs. Sign up to help, Debi 520-459-8146

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support **Group** meets Dec. 22, Sierra Vista Public Library conference room.

#### **GROUPS/CLASSES**

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 a 29 year cancer survivor. Time and location is TBD.

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

San Pedro RV Resort Park **Bingo!** Doors open at 5PM, game starts at 6PM. We're on Highway 80 and will be open year around.

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. Tuesdays, 9-10:30AM. St. Raphael Church, 730 S. Hwy. 80, Benson.

Alcoholics Anonymous - AA Meetings. 12100 PM daily and 7PM on Friday. Location 637 H Ave. For more information contact Hector

**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. Wednesday at 6PM at the Serenity club 5049 Hwy 92 in Sierra vista. More info Http://alanon.org/welcome

Monday Nights Addiction Meeting, 6PM. Childcare provided church for free (please let us know ahead). Broken Arrow Baptist Church, 1538 Hwy 191, Cochise.

Soaring Spirits Widow Group, 1st and 3rd Mondays, 3:15 PM Dickeys Barbeque Pit, 775N Ocotillo Rd, Benson AZ (next to Denny's). You are not alone! 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

Legal Aid is in Douglas every first and third Tuesday to accept service applications and assist. County Building, 1012 North G Avenue,

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

The Sierra Vista Shooting Range offers Skeet, Trap, & 5 Stand Clay target shooting. Wed 10am to 12 and Sat 10am to 2. Skeet & Trap avail all open hours. 5 Stand open 1st Sat. and 3rd Wed. every month. The club is located east of Sierra Vista just south of Hwy 90 near mile marker 334, look for signs.

No Fear Painting Workshop, Sundays at Benson VFW 1- to 3Pm \$35.00 All Supplies Provided. Proceeds go to Cochise College Scholarships. For more info, call Kathy 916-708-1234

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Benson Food Pantry needs dog/cat food donations. Donations stay in Benson community. Drop donations off at Benson Food Pantry, Monday-Friday during business hours.

**Tombstone Food Bank** now doing produce outreach every Friday, 2-4PM. at Tombstone Food Bank, behind Tombstone Fire Department. Everyone is welcome. Come get your vegetables for the week.

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#### **SWAP MEETS/MARKETS**

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Monthly Swap Meet, Arena Bar, first Saturday. Setup 6AM, gates open 7. \$5-10'x10' space. Bring treasures, junk, crafts to sell. Breakfast/coffee available. 250 N. Prickly Pear, Benson.

Mustang Corner Swap Meet moved S on Rte. 90, past Kelly Transmissions, across from RV City. Fridays-Sundays. Same good folks from before so come on out.



# Things To Do & Places To Go



#### CHURCHES/RELIGIOUS

Experience a Quaker Meeting! Held every Sun., 11-Noon, Friends Southwest Center, off 191 at Quaker Way, McNeal. 520-366-2122!

**Grace Christian Academy** is offering free tuition enrollments. Call 520-586-2358 or email office@gracechapelbenson.org.

Come sing with adult choir! Sierra Vista Community United Church of Christ. Wed. rehearsals 4:00PM. Sunday Service 9:30AM. All welcome! Call 520-458-8495.

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

"Holy Bible, book divine, thou art mine" Christian Science study of God's Word, meets monthly. Call 623-271-1228 for info. Womens Interdenominational Bible Study 520-221-0098

**Unity of the Huachucas** Sunday Services, 10:30AM, 7487 E. Larkspur Ln, Hereford. UnityoftheHuachucas.org

**Grace Chapel** Benson offers services on Sunday at 10:15AM. Contemporary music mixed with hymns. Dress nice casual. 1050 S Post Rd, Benson. 520- 586-2358 www.gracechapelbenson.org

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**St Raphael in the Valley Church**, 730 S. Hwy 80 Benson. *Living With Loss*, Tuesdays 9 to 10:30am, call 520-586-4335 or email for more info at straphaelinthvalley@gmail.com

BENSON **Church Of Christ** meets Sundays 10AM for Bible Study and 11 AM for the Worship Service at 601 E. Foothills Dr. 520-586-3004

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.

**OCS Ministry** A Full Gospel nondenomination Church. Sunday Service 10AM 2281 Hwy 90 Whetstone, AZ 520-678-7750, ocsministry1@gmail.com

**Bible Study** at Community Center, Sunsites, AZ at 5:30pm. Bingo every Wednesday night!

#### SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

**San Pedro RV Park Bingo**, Saturdays at 6pm, doors open at 5. Highway 80 and we're open year 'round.

American Legion Riders Post 45/Marine Corp League Detachment #1204 monthly Breakfast, 150 W 5th St, Benson, 1st Sa. of month 8 – 10am. Biscuits/gravy, eggs, sausage, orange juice, coffee. \$6 donation.

**Kiwanis Club of Sierra Vista** meets 2nd & 4th Thur of each month at 7am for breakfast, My Place Restaurant on 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

**BINGO every Friday night at the VFW Post 10385** in Thatcher 6:45 pm and the 4th & 5th Sunday 1PM. Public invited!

**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

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**Bingo** at Community Center, Treasure Rd, Sunsites, AZ at 5:30pm. Carry out is also available and Bingo every Wed. night 5:30. Sponsored by Cochise Stronghold Lions Club.

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

**Apache Mobile Home BINGO** in St. David. Doors open at 6 PM. Game starts at 7 PM on Saturday nights

Wildwest Detachment Marine Corps League meets every 2nd Sunday at 1PM, American Legion Post 24 Tombstone, AZ. Info 520-266-5266



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The Pharmacist answers, "Yes."

"We're about to get married. Do you sell heart medication?"

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"Medicine for rheumatism?"

"Definitely."

"Medicine for memory problems, arthritis and Alzheimer's?"

"Yes, a large variety. The

"What about vitamins, sleeping pills, Geritol, antidotes for Parkinson's disease?"

"Absolutely."

"Everything for heartburn and indigestion?"

"We sure do."

"You sell wheelchairs and walkers and canes?"

"All speeds and sizes."

"In that case, we'd like to use this store for our wedding presents list."



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# A Long Drive **Across Texas**

I usually talk about animals and that is my main concern, but today I

am taking a direction off the beaten path.

I recently made a trip to Illinois. On the way, of course, I had to go through Texas both going and coming.

Texas is a cattle state and I mean in a big way. Acres of steaks on the hoof. Forced to live in sectioned off areas with too many in each section. They are laying or just standing around in their own manure. How gross is that?

I particularly remember Hereford, Texas. The smell was enough to ruin your day. They have long man-made hills of manure covered up with large pieces of plastic. Then you drive on a little ways and you see factories making fertilizer. One can only guess what they are using for ingredients. And of course they have processing plants for the beef that abounds there. Definitely not a town where you are looking to stop and eat. The smell hangs in the air like a fog.

There were 3 different towns I went through that were set up like this. I have never felt sorry for a cow before, but I did this time. I probably would really feel sorry for them if I knew how they slaughtered them. It's enough to make you cry!





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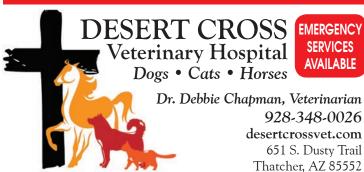


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"Is that so?" the cowboy lazily says as he rests his head on his fist and sips his drink. The bartender turns around rolling his eyes. The cowboy stays a good ten minutes finishing his drink, then walks back outside to carry on his journey, but when he gets out there he finds his horse is missing.

The cowboy storms back into the bar, draws his pistol, and fires it into the ceiling. The cowboy says, "Alright, which one of you sidewinders stole my horse?" The town folk looked between each other and then back to the cowboy. You could hear a pin drop. "Well, nobody knows? Alright, well I'm going to go back to that bar and have myself another drink. If I finish that drink, go back outside, and my horse still ain't there, I'm gonna have to do what I done in Texas. And I don't like having to do what I done in Texas.π"

The cowboy, true to his word, goes back to the bar, drinks another beer, goes back outside, and like magic his horse is back. The cowboy gets back on his horse like it never left and begins riding out of town.

That's when the bartender runs outside and calls out to the cowboy, "Excuse me, sir!

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# Were there dogs on the Mayflower?

The answer is yes! According to the journals kept by the Pilgrims, there were two dogs that were taken along for that long journey. According to records, a 25-year-old young man, John Goodman, a was a



passenger on the Mayflower and brought along a Mastiff and also a Spaniel. There may have been others but there is no record of that. Goodman's dogs became essential members of the settlement who provided protection and aided in hunts. The type of dogs chosen was not by accident. For centuries, the mastiffs were used in England as guard or fighting dogs. When the Romans occupied England, the fierce fighters were sent to Rome, where the dogs fought against bears, tigers, bulls, and other dogs or even gladiators for the entertainment of arena audiences. Even today, Mastiffs are known as great family dogs and giant protectors.

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One day, when opening a local news app, he was struck by a photo of Rosie, a gregarious mix of German Shepherd and Belgium Malimois, (probably). At two years old, Rosie had

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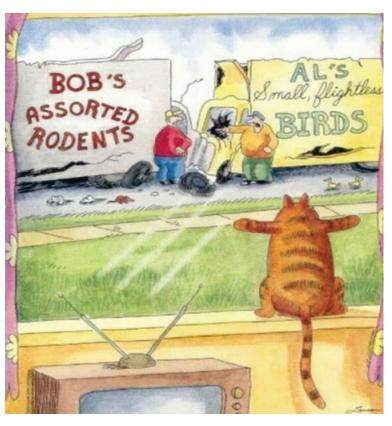
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**I spent my** first Thanksgiving with my husband in his Irish-Italian neighborhood in New York City. As a newcomer, I was placed in charge of boiling 15 pounds of potatoes. When they were ready, I picked up the pan and surveyed the crowded kitchen for a sink in which to drain them. My husband's elderly uncle guided me to a small half-bathroom and grabbed the steaming pot. He started to drain the potatoes into the toilet, but he lost his grip on the lid and all the potatoes tumbled in!

I screamed, "Oh no!" but Uncle Bob began fishing the potatoes out of the toilet. "No one will ever know," he whispered. "Now just go out there and mash them."

Sometime later, during the meal, my husband's aunt leaned over and whispered, "Your potatoes are delicious. I think you are going to fit into this family quite nicely."

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