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Think Local This Holiday Season

WITH HALLOWEEN IN THE BOOKS, Sierra Vista residents can look forward to a holiday season full of enjoying family gatherings and community events, giving back to those in need, and, of course, shopping for gifts and hunting for deals.

“While online shopping may be convenient, shopping local is one of the easiest ways to invest in your community.”

Some families look forward to Black Friday as much or more than Thanksgiving itself, making it a tradition to shop together in search of sales. But it's not the savings realized that makes holiday shopping so important, it's the dollars spent at stores in our local community.

Choosing to shop local supports your friends and neighbors. It helps local businesses thrive and brings in local sales tax revenue for the City. This, in turn, supports City services like well-maintained roads, exceptional public safety protection, community centers, amenities, and activities that bring us together.

While online shopping may be convenient, shopping local is one of the easiest ways to invest in your community. But this is a giving community and I know many of our residents will not stop there.



There are many other ways to put your dollars or your time into action here in Sierra Vista during a season when families often need some extra help. For nearly 40 years, our own Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services has collected toys to help parents in tough times make it a merry Christmas for their little ones. Learn more about the toy drive on page 12.

Local food banks also need help meeting increased demand during the holidays and there are many other opportunities to give back. The gift of giving is guaranteed to warm your heart even on the coldest winter nights, especially when you can see impact in the community you call home. For more ways to give back locally, see page 32.

City Manager Chuck Potucek

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2018 Mayor's Arts and Humanities Awards



Nominate individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the arts and humanities in Sierra Vista. Eligible categories include performing arts, visual arts, support of the arts, arts in education, and humanities.

***Nominations must be received by
Monday, November 26!***



Nomination forms are available at City Hall, Oscar Yrun Community Center, The Cove, Ethel H. Berger Center, and online at www.SierraVistaAZ.gov (search “arts and humanities awards 2018”). They can be turned in at the Oscar Yrun Community Center or mailed to the address provided on the form.

www.SierraVistaAZ.gov

Fire Chief York to Retire After 35 Years

SIERRA VISTA FIRE CHIEF RON YORK discovered a lifelong passion when he was growing up in Orange County California and tuned in to watch Johnny and Roy of Squad 51 on *Emergency!* as they brought the growing role of paramedics to a national televised audience.

“Oh, that’s cool,” York says, recalling his reaction to seeing the show’s portrayal of emergency medical services. “I just fell in love with it.”

After spending four years as a diesel mechanic in the family business, York got married and moved to Sierra Vista where his interest in becoming a firefighter was rekindled. He joined the department as a reserve in 1983, before getting a full-time position later that same year. Now, 35 years later, York is preparing to retire in December as the leader of the department where he spent his entire career.

“We like to say, ‘hire the heart and train the hands.’ We’ve got to have great people to provide great services.” -Ron York

“I hesitate to say I’ve loved every minute—there’re a lot of minutes in 35 years. But I have loved it,” York says. “Love what you do and you’ll never work a day in your life. That’s how it’s been with me.”

Having grown up with two sisters and no brothers, York gained 11 new brothers the first day he joined the fire service. Now that family has expanded to include about 70 people, including 50 firefighters, with York as head of the household.

“It really is a family atmosphere around here,” York says.

And that family shares the same values that made York an exceptionally passionate paramedic and has earned the department a reputation for exceeding patient expectations. That’s because they hire people who care.

“We like to say, ‘hire the heart and train the hands,’” York says. “We’ve got to have great people to provide great services.”



▲ Ron York (left) poses with fellow Sierra Vista firefighters in front of the department’s old fire prevention vehicle in the late 1980s.



▲ Ron York gets his badge pinned by his parents Benny and Fern York during a ceremony honoring his promotion to fire chief in 2015.



▲ Sierra Vista City Manager Chuck Potucek speaks at Ron York's badge pinning ceremony when he became fire chief in 2015.

Reaching the Rank of “Dad”

After starting as a reserve firefighter, York moved up the ranks to hold just about every position in the department aside from fire marshal, before earning the top rank in 2015.

“I became dad. These are all my kids. I want them to be better than I am. I want to them to be the best,” York says.

When he was in the field, York always wanted to be on shift if there was a serious incident. “I thought I was the best and I thought I could help. I wanted to be there in the worst of times to see if I could make a difference,” York says.

Now, after 15 years in administrative roles, he admires many of the department's firefighters, EMTs, and paramedics working in the field for being better than he ever was. “They are smarter than I ever thought I was. I'd be lucky to be able to carry their bags for them,” York says.

He appreciates being part of a department that's still small enough so that he can get to know everyone. York keeps his door open and candy on his desk to encourage people to come in and chat with him. As chief, York feels great pride in his department but that's nothing new.

“I took ownership of this department years ago, not because I'm the chief. Even as a firefighter, I had such pride in the organization and pride in the job,” York says. He encourages everyone to feel the same pride for the department and take responsibility for it too.

Gut Check Moments

Shortly after joining Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services, York became one of the first six paramedics for the department and one of the first 12 in Cochise County.

“Oh man, that was it. That's what I always wanted to be,” York says. While York has been involved in fighting many fires, it's the far less common part of the job and involves less direct aid to people.

“The medical side—when you're talking about helping people—that's where you're seeing it. You may bring someone back to life, or make someone's life a little better by easing some pain. You see results immediately,” York says. But it can also be hard and even York had to make sure the job was right for him. It's much different than watching it on TV.

His first true gut check came when a man was hit by vehicle on Fry Boulevard and was badly injured. York was standing at the end of the gurney and saw that the man's foot was rotated 180 degrees. He had to disrobe the patient but his gut response was to turn away.

Mentally, he grabbed the back of his own shirt and told himself, “You have to stand here. This is what you want to do. You have to see it. You have to see if you can handle it,” York says. It wasn't as bad as he thought it would be.

His next gut check came during paramedic training at the Tucson trauma center. A person was hit by a vehicle and the medical team attempted to resuscitate the victim using internal defibrillation but the patient died. After the team left the room, a doctor turned to York and, once he discovered York was in paramedic training, told him to glove up.

The doctor guided York around the victim's chest cavity, asking him to feel behind the heart for the aorta. That doctor was Richard Carmona, who went on to become the 17th Surgeon General of the United States.

“It was the most phenomenal anatomy lesson I ever had,” York says.

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Making People Say “Wow”

“We, the members of Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services, will passionately serve our community by being helpful and kind. Always.”

Few people talk about their organization’s mission statement with the passion of York. The firefighters all worked to rewrite the mission statement together in 2014, just prior to York becoming chief. It says nothing about firefighting or emergency medical services but it says everything about what makes the department special.

“We want to make you say ‘wow!’” York says. “We don’t want to meet expectations, we want to exceed them.”

York often hears examples of this attitude in action like how a crew drove a man’s van to the hospital so the patient would have a ride home. The crew noticed that the van’s front tires were in urgent need of replacement, so they took it to a tire shop on the way. When the shop put on some used tires at no cost, the crew came back later with food and drinks as thanks. When York heard about it what his crew did, it was his turn to say “wow!”

“To have our people make me say ‘wow!’ is the epitome of what they do. And they do that frequently,” York says. “I can’t teach that!”

“We, the members of Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services, will passionately serve our community by being helpful and kind. Always.” -Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services Mission Statement

The Next Great Thing

The fire and medical services profession changed dramatically over the course of York’s 35-year career, making significant progress in firefighter safety and in preventing fires instead of just fighting them.

“We’ve gotten smarter as a service,” York says. A dirty helmet used to be a sign of pride but departments now know how dangerous it is to carry around carcinogens from fire scenes.

Still, most of their calls are medical in nature and fires have become more uncommon as fire safety and fire prevention practices have improved significantly. York thinks the next big push for

“It’s a very impactful position, I love it! I feel like I’m making a big difference in these patients’ lives.”

-Ashley Randolph, Part-Time CARE Paramedic



▲ Part-time CARE Paramedic Ashley Randolph has seen about 70 patients in 2018.

the fire department will be in emergency medical services prevention.

York’s department has helped lead that effort by launching the CARE Program in 2015, which sends a community paramedic into patient’s homes after leaving the hospital and before another 911 call is needed. They help patients understand their medications and implement common sense solutions at home to help them avoid repeat calls for emergency transport and care.

After a hiatus due to a lack of available staffing, the CARE (Community, Awareness, Response, and Education) Program was restored this year with the support of grant funding from the Southeast Arizona Area Health Education Center. Since January, Ashley Randolph, the part-time CARE paramedic, has seen about 70 patients.

“It’s a very impactful position, I love it! I feel like I’m making a big difference in these patients’ lives,” Randolph says. The goal is to reduce costly transports and readmissions to the hospital, while also improving patients’ quality of life.

“We’ve shown that this program works but the challenge is finding resources to sustain it and expand it,” York says. The department is seeking grant funding to extend Randolph’s position beyond 2018 and make it full-time if possible.

“I really believe EMS prevention is the next great thing,” York says.



▲ Fire Chief Ron York subs in to help make “York Sandwiches” after the crew on duty responded to a call recently. He was a little out of practice!

A Lasting Legacy

For months, York has had his three battalion chiefs accompany him to high level City meetings so they can be prepared for broader administrative responsibilities when he retires. He’s not worried.

“We have an absolutely great group of team members here,” York says.

While he hopes he has steered the department in the right direction, York understands that its future course is not up to him. But the family he helped build based on their hearts, not on their hands, will still be there.

“Working with Chief York over the last 22 years has been special. York is a leader and a friend whose passion for this profession and for serving this community is contagious,” Battalion Chief Brian Jones says. “His love for the job and for his family here at Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services has helped define who we are as a department. That’s a legacy anyone would be privileged to leave behind.”

Still, years after the last firefighter he hired retires, York’s name may live on for another reason. After becoming popular when York himself made them for his duty crew, the “York Sandwich” is a staple meal among many Sierra Vista crews.

A grilled cheese typically made on sourdough bread, with Swiss cheese, tomatoes, dill pickles, onions, and ham or turkey piled high, the York Sandwich may be around long after firefighters remember who “Ron York” was.

“There are worse legacies to have,” York says.

Moving Forward

Making Business Easy

WITH STREAMLINED CODES, extraordinary customer service, and staff dedicated to helping people make the most of opportunities in Sierra Vista, the City has made it easier than ever to do business here.

The Sierra Vista City Council's Strategic Plan identifies Economic Prosperity as an objective and outlines key strategies that include "ensure a welcoming City development environment—people, resources, and processes."

The City's Community Development Department makes the process of setting up a business or completing a project in Sierra Vista as clear and simple as possible. Recent code changes have further streamlined the process, without sacrificing community standards.

New resources, like the City's online business inventory map, can help too, while the City's Economic Development team provides personal service. They work with businesses and developers big and small to help them navigate red tape, make local connections, and find partnerships that can help businesses succeed.

"After some tough years, we're seeing an increase in activity and hearing folks say Sierra Vista is poised for an economic rebound," says Tony Boone, the City's economic development manager. "We're here to help all businesses find success in Sierra Vista, whether that's by helping local small businesses thrive and expand or by moving the needle for large companies looking for new markets. Don't hesitate to give us a call."

Tapping into Sierra Vista

When Mike Appleton decided to open Bone Dry Tap House in Sierra Vista, the Oregon native worked with the City of Sierra Vista's economic development team to learn the lay of the land.

BUSINESS INVENTORY MAP

To aid business owners and site selectors seeking opportunities to set up shop or fill a new space in Sierra Vista, the City has created a comprehensive business inventory map.

To access the business inventory, go to www.SierraVistaAZ.gov and click the link in the center of the homepage.



Photo courtesy of Herald/Review Media

"The City was amazing to work with," Appleton says, noting the tough hurdles he encountered came from other agencies at the state level. As an out-of-towner, Appleton appreciated the City's responsiveness in being there to help him navigate the many challenges a new business faces.

Appleton fell in love with Sierra Vista when he first visited in late 2016. He found extraordinary golfing weather, beautiful mountain views, and friendly people that reminded him of his own hometown in Oregon. He is excited about plans to revitalize the West End to foster a downtown atmosphere.

"I just want to get my foot in the door, so when bigger and better things come to Sierra Vista I am in the position to do better for Bone Dry too," Appleton says.

Riding the wave

Appleton is not alone in seeing Sierra Vista's potential as the community shows signs of economic recovery. Exciting new projects have been popping up around town, including a complete renovation of the Sun Canyon Inn on N. Garden Avenue.

Based in Prescott, Ponderosa Hotel Management Services CEO Brad Christensen was drawn to the area for quail hunting and has been visiting Sierra Vista for years, keeping an eye out for business opportunities. When the moment was finally right,

Christensen's group purchased the Sun Canyon Inn and is now transforming it into a Best Western Plus.

"We're here to ride the wave of the upturn in the economy, which we feel is starting to happen," Christensen says.

The group hopes to open in January 2019, and looks forward to being involved in the community. Ponderosa manages four other hotels in Arizona and has been impressed working with the City of Sierra Vista.

"The City's been very welcoming to us. It's been great working with them on all fronts," says Chris Blight, Ponderosa's vice president of finance.

Meanwhile several new businesses have set up shop on the east side of Sierra Vista, with Bealls Outlet, Ulta, Shoe Dept. Encore, and Planet Fitness among the national tenants leasing in-line and pad space at the old Sutherlands building in the South Vista Plaza. Tucson-based Larsen Baker LLC, which owns and manages these properties, has been working with the City on projects in Sierra Vista since 1998.



"My experience with the City has been outstanding," says Andy Seleznev, CCIM executive vice president of Larsen Baker. "Both the City's Community Development services and its Economic Development team have been instrumental in our successful development and tenanting of both Cochise Plaza and South Plaza Vista."

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Public Works

Our WASTE Water Cycle

W E ALL DO IT. We open the faucet or flush the toilet several times each day, usually without a second thought about where all that wastewater goes once it heads down the drain.

Each day, Sierra Vista residents send more than 2.5 million gallons of wastewater to the City's Environmental Operations Park where it is treated and then recharged into the aquifer. But there is so much more to it than that!

Let us take you on a trip down the drain to learn about your local wastewater cycle. You'll see that the City's "waste" water treatment process is anything but wasteful! Plus we'll share some important ways you can help keep everything flowing smoothly.



Step 1: Down the Drain

It may feel like whatever you flush down the drain disappears mere moments later. It doesn't! Homeowners can do themselves and the City a favor by minding what enters the pipes.

Topping the City's *least* wanted list are used cooking fats, oils, and grease. Fat, oil, or grease will slide on down the drain when warm, but once it cools it will solidify, forming masses of goop that can block your pipes at home or cause headaches for the City downstream. Learn how the City can help you recycle fats, oils, and grease on page 10.

"Work is work but getting to talk to people and help people — that's the best part."

-Brandon Pascual, Wastewater Operator



Step 2: A Spy in the Sewer Pipes

Fortunately, the City has a spy working in the sewer pipes who has our back!

Wastewater Operator Brandon Pascual operates the City's CCTV Sewer Inspection Van. Using a remote-operated vehicle outfitted with a camera, Pascual peers inside an average of 2,500 feet of sewer pipe each day.

Pascual will spot roots sneaking into the pipes or pockets of grease that could cause a blockage in the future. This proactive approach to sewer maintenance saves the City from dealing with costly breakages and overflows. Pascual will even share a report with the home or business owner if he sees a potential problem down a privately owned pipe.

"It's one of the best jobs in town because it's stable and has good retirement benefits," Pascual says. Most people are unaware of the work he does. They are usually pleasantly surprised when they get a chance to learn about it after seeing the van parked on their street. Pascual loves that part of the job.

"Work is work but getting to talk to people and help people — that's the best part," Pascual says.



Step 3: Enter the Headworks

Remember that *least* wanted list of items that should never go down the drain? The headworks acts as the facility's gatekeeper, kicking most of the offenders out of the system before entering the treatment process.

Items like diapers, sanitary products, and so-called "flushable" wipes are anything but flushable. If they make it into the treatment process, these products can jam up pumps and cause major headaches for the City's 10-person wastewater team.

Using large augers and secondary screens, the headworks snags most unwanted items, which also include inorganic materials like sand, coffee grounds, or plastics. But remember you can help too. Do your part by flushing smart!



PUBLIC WORKS

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Step 4: Let's Stir Things Up

From here, the power of gravity sends wastewater into the facility's aeration, anoxic, and equalization basins, where a simple recipe is required to keep the treatment process cooking!

Microorganisms do the dirty work and these little miracle workers need three ingredients to make magic happen: food, air, and time. Their food is the organic waste in wastewater and there is an easy way to introduce air. All we need to do is stir things up!

Two turbo blowers send air into six grids of fine bubble diffusers in the aeration basin. The diffusers release billions of tiny bubbles, which act much like a spoon stirring sugar into a cup of coffee. The blowers introduce air, keep the solids from settling, and mix microorganisms with incoming organic waste.

The anoxic basin gets flows from the headworks and recycled flows from other points in the process. It removes harmful nitrates from the water by converting them to nitrogen gas.

The equalization basins even out the microorganism's meal plan, providing control over the final ingredient—time. Wastewater enters the facility in ebbs and flows. When there is too much to handle, it can be sent to the equalization basins and saved for later.

Since it was constructed in 2001, the Environmental Operations Park has recharged about 10 billion gallons of water back into the local aquifer.



Step 5: Clearing up Muddy Water

In 2012, the Environmental Operations Park received a major upgrade that added two large clarifiers to the treatment process.

These giant cylinders act like stilling wells, allowing solids—the carcasses of the microorganisms—to settle at the bottom. The clear water is scalped from the top and sent downstream to the wetlands, while the solids are removed and sent to a sludge holding basin where they are later dewatered and recycled into safe Grade A compost as part of the City's compost program.

The upgrade improved the treatment process so much that the next step goes above and beyond the nitrogen removal required. But the wetlands do more than help remove nitrogen; they provide habitat for birds and viewing for birders!

TAKE A TOUR!

As part of the local Smithsonian Museum on Main Street Water|Ways companion exhibit, the City will host a presentation and tour at the Environmental Operations Park on Saturday, February 16, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Learn more on page 21.



Step 6: Welcome to the Wetlands

At the wetlands, plants suck up even more nitrogen out of the water and offer an extraordinary habitat for birds and other wildlife.

The City opens the wetlands to free guided bird walks each Sunday from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Local docents from Southeastern Arizona Bird Observatory, Huachuca Audubon Society, and the Friends of the San Pedro River lead these walks at no charge, although donations are accepted. The walks depart from the viewing platform, located to the north of Highway 90 between mile markers 324 and 325

Some water percolates into the aquifer at the wetlands but most of it is recharged in our final step.

Step 7: Ready to Recharge

From the wetlands, clean water is sent into one of 11 recharge basins where it will begin its long descent back into the aquifer.

Since it was constructed in 2001, the Environmental Operations Park has recharged about 10 billion gallons of water back into the local aquifer.

"It's a big number and the Environmental Operations Park continues to be our region's largest recharge project," City Manager Chuck Potucek says. "But it's still just a piece of the many initiatives, code changes, projects, and partnerships the City has engaged in over the course of decades to ensure our local water supply is managed responsibly."



Public Works

Recycle Christmas Trees for Free

A live pine tree can fill a home with the scent and spirit of the holiday season but too often Christmas trees end up in the landfill once the New Year comes. This year, why not resolve to make Christmas a little greener by recycling that tree instead?

Starting Wednesday, December 26, Christmas trees—without decorations—can be recycled free of charge by dropping them off at the city's compost facility on Highway 90. The trees will be turned into high quality compost available for purchase by the truck load at the compost facility. This free drop off service is available to all Cochise County residents.

City refuse customers can arrange for a free curbside pickup for their tree by calling (520) 458-7530 by Monday at 5:00 p.m. for Wednesday pickup. These special Christmas tree pickups can also be scheduled by filling out a green waste pickup request form available at www.SierraVistaAZ.gov. Special pickups will be available on Wednesday, January 9 and 16, 2019.

Please remember to remove all tinsel, lights, and ornaments. Only live trees can be recycled, so don't drop off artificial trees. Christmas tree recycling is available from Wednesday, December 26, through Saturday, January 26, 2019.

The Sierra Vista compost facility is located at 7201 E. Highway 90 (at mile marker 325, near the Cochise County Transfer Station). The compost facility is open Monday through Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. It is closed for the Christmas holiday on Monday and Tuesday, December 24 and 25, and will be closed for New Year's Day on Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (520) 458-5775.

DID YOU KNOW?

Approximately 33 million real Christmas trees are sold in North America every year, according to the U.S. EPA. Luckily 93 percent of those trees are recycled through more than 4,000 available recycling programs.



Prevent a Plumbing Coronary Over the Holidays

Whether featuring turkey, ham, or both, holiday meals produce a lot of leftovers, including some used cooking grease that all too often makes its way down the drain.

In your pipes, this fat, oil, and grease cools and solidifies, creating blockages that can be costly for homeowners and for the City if they form in public pipes. Thankfully there's a way to put all that cooking fat, oil, and grease to good use!

The City enables residents to greasecycle by dropping off used cooking fat, oil, and grease in dry, sealed containers with secure lids at the Compost Facility located at 7201 E. Highway 90. It's open Monday through Saturday, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. To learn more, call (520) 458-5775.



Supporting Veterans

Honoring Those Who Serve



Veterans Day Parade Set for November 10

Home to Fort Huachuca, Sierra Vista is a community that knows how important it is to honor its veterans and the City will host its annual Veterans Day Parade for the 24th year on Saturday, November 10.

The parade will begin at 9:00 a.m. heading east down Fry Boulevard from 7th Street to Veterans Memorial Park. A short ceremony will follow in the park and will include remarks from local officials.

The parade features a variety of participants including military and veterans groups, high school Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs, and other community organizations. It's always heartwarming to see area residents waving signs and flags sharing support for the many local veterans who served the nation with honor as they watch the parade travel along Fry Boulevard.

For more information, please email LeisureEvents@SierraVistaAZ.gov.



A History of Supporting Veterans

The Sierra Vista community has a long history of supporting Fort Huachuca, local soldiers, veterans, and their families.

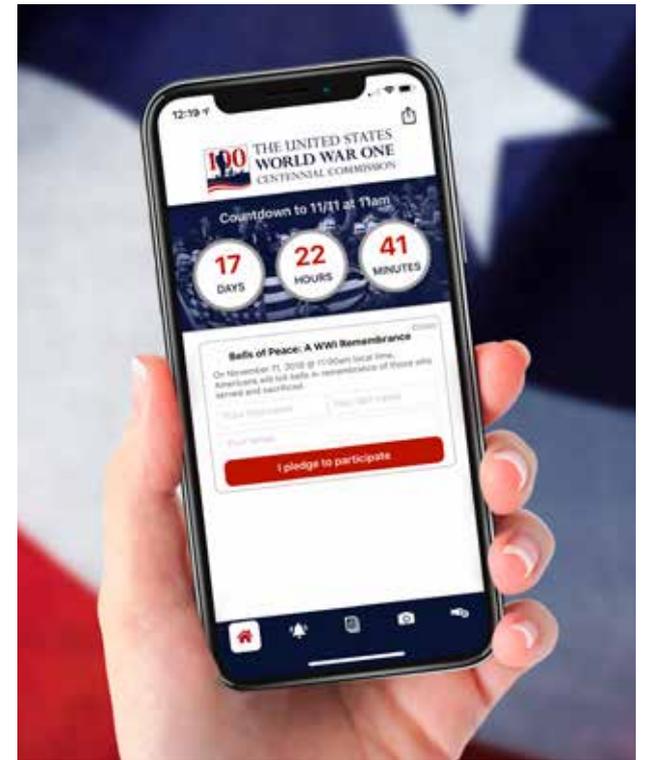
In recognition of the overall support of local veterans, Sierra Vista was designated by the Association of Defense Communities as a member of the inaugural Great American Defense Communities class in 2017.

In addition, the City of Sierra Vista received the ADC's Community Excellence Award in 2016, while Fort Huachuca was honored as the association's Installation of the Year in 2012. Former Sierra Vista Mayor Tom Hessler received the associations' Leadership Award in 2006.

In October, 2014, Sierra Vista became the second city in Arizona to be designated a Purple Heart City by the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

DID YOU KNOW?

Of the more than 131,000 people living in Cochise County, nearly 20,000 are veterans? That's 14 percent of the county population, which is among the highest concentrations of veterans in Arizona!



Ring Bells of Peace for Centennial Armistice Remembrance

The City encourages Sierra Vistans to join their fellow Americans across the country in tolling bells on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, in remembrance of the armistice that marked the end of hostilities in World War I 100 years ago.

As part of the nationwide Bells of Peace World War I Centennial Armistice Remembrance, residents are encouraged to toll bells on Sunday, November 11, at 11:00 a.m. to remember the 4.5 million Americans who served, the 375,000 who were wounded, and the 116,516 Americans who died in World War I. Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services will ring the bells at Fire Stations 2 and 3.

Don't have a bell? Don't worry, there's an app for that! As long as the Bells of Peace Participation App is open before 11:00 a.m. on November 11, the app will produce the sound of bells tolling 21 times at the same time from every device using the app.

For more information, go to the World War I Centennial Commission website at www.WW1cc.org/bells.

Public Safety

Toy Drive Brings Christmas Joy



Photo courtesy of Herald/Review Media

For nearly 40 years, Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services has played the role of Santa Claus for local families with children who need some help filling up the space under the Christmas tree by conducting an annual Christmas Toy Drive.

But instead of carrying around one big red bag, firefighters and many community volunteers fill up hundreds of big blue bags for delivery day. And volunteers forgo reindeer-drawn sleighs in favor of motorized vehicles but the smiles of joy they see when they arrive are no less magical.

"It's very rewarding, being able to supply families in need with a little bit of hope and putting smiles on the kids' faces," says Angie Loucks, who has been supporting the Toy Drive as a volunteer with her husband Sam Loucks for about 25 years. For the last 20 they have been joined by their daughter Ashleigh and son Jordan.

FIRE & MEDICAL SERVICES

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1295 E. Fry Boulevard
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
(520) 458-3319

Loucks has done everything from bagging toys and delivering them, to fulfilling administrative duties. She shops all year long to stretch the dollars donated to the drive by making the most of sales and deals.

Fire Marshal Paul Cimino has been assisting with the drive since becoming a volunteer firefighter in 1979. It's been interesting for him to see the changes of who needs help each year.

"It's not just the same people year after year," Cimino says. "After the economic downturn, we saw an increase in people who had suddenly fallen on hard times."

The drive has received about 300 applications from families each year since 2008, reaching as high as 380 in 2011 and 2012. In 2008, just like last year, the drive received 250 applications, illustrating how the demand ebbs and flows.

"What hasn't changed is the generosity of the community. We're fortunate to have so many people willing to give their time and resources each year," Cimino says. "I'm always impressed with how Sierra Vista steps up for those in need."



Photo courtesy of Herald/Review Media

How to Help

Donations of new, unwrapped toys and monetary contributions are accepted at any Sierra Vista fire station until Saturday, December 22.

Donations can also be made during the department's Pack the Penske live radio remotes on Wednesdays, December 5, 12, and 19 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Ace Hardware parking lot located on the southwest corner of Highway 92 and Fry Boulevard. For more information on how to help, contact Paul Cimino at (520) 458-3319.

Apply for Assistance

Parents can apply for assistance on Friday, November 30, and Saturday, December 1, at Sierra Vista Fire Station 3, located at 675 Giulio Cesare Avenue. Children from birth to 12 years old living in the Sierra Vista area are eligible to receive assistance.

APPLICANTS MUST:

- Apply in person, not on someone else's behalf
- Present a photo ID and proof of local residency
- Present a utility bill indicating applicant's name and address
- Present documentation for parental or legal guardianship

Celebrate the Holidays Responsibly



Merry Pitmas: Bully Breed Seminar

DATE Sunday, December 2

TIME 2:00 - 4:00 PM

LOCATION Nancy J. Brua Animal Care Center
6799 E. Highway 90

Join Nancy J. Brua Animal Care Center volunteers and Sit Means Sit Southern Arizona's Trainers for a seminar focused on America's most misunderstood breed of dog. Known as a "bully breed," pit bulls can make for ideal, loving, and safe companions. There will also be door prizes and a raffle.

The seminar is free but registration is required. Please RSVP to MerryPitmas@gmail.com or call (520) 458-4151 for more information.

VISITORS TO CITY HALL, and even some motorists passing by, will soon see a SUV covered in 262 white crosses parked out front for the holiday season.

Created several years ago using a donated vehicle that had been in a collision, this DUI Memorial serves as a reminder of the 262 Arizona lives lost to impaired driving crashes back in 2013. In 2016, that total was 232 in Arizona, while 10,497 people were killed in alcohol-related collisions nationwide, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The risk is particularly high during the holidays when there are an increased number of impaired drivers on the roads. The DUI crash vehicle is one of the tools used by the Sierra Vista Police Department as part of its ongoing education and enforcement efforts.

"Through persistent outreach and enforcement, we hope to see DUI arrests and alcohol-related collisions decrease over time, as more drivers make the responsible choice and find a safe ride home," says Cpl. Tim Wachtel, SVPD DUI task force coordinator.

The Sierra Vista Police Department urges everyone to remember that the safest driver is always a sober one. So, as you celebrate Christmas and ring in the New Year, remember to get a designated driver, not a DUI.

Holiday Safety Tips

The holidays are a time to deck out your home in decorations, cook a delicious meal, and gather together with friends and family. But these same activities and decorations that bring festive cheer can also pose some added fire danger or injury risk. The following tips will help you enjoy the holidays safely.



- Never leave candles untended. According to the National Fire Protection Association, about half of home decoration fires in December are started by candles. They most commonly occur on Christmas, Christmas Eve, and New Year's Eve.
- Keep decorations away from heat sources. About one-fifth of home decoration fires start in the kitchen, so be mindful of any decorations placed near the stove, light fixtures, or any heat sources.
- Mind the stove and oven. Christmas is second only to Thanksgiving when it comes to home cooking fires. With many guests in the home, it's important to not get distracted and always keep an eye on what's cooking.

- Keep pets and kids out of the kitchen. With so much to prepare, the kitchen can become a frantic place. A dog or young child underfoot can be a recipe for injuries and accidents.
- Use caution with fireworks and sparklers. Even just a sparkler can cause serious burns if mishandled. If you choose to ring in the New Year with legal fireworks, keep a fire extinguisher handy and take common sense precautions. *Remember, fireworks can only be used on private property and no aerial fireworks that explode are allowed.*
- Take care of your Christmas tree. Although uncommon, Christmas tree fires are likely to be serious. Keep live trees away from heat sources, make sure to water the tree, and always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Station
911 N. Coronado Drive
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
(520) 452-7500

Home for the Holidays

Top 11 Events to Celebrate the Season

Boasting the longest running Christmas parade in the state, Sierra Vista has no shortage of extraordinary activities and events celebrating the holiday season. In fact, there are so many local favorites that we could not stop at just 10! Here are 11 holiday events in Sierra Vista guaranteed to warm your spirits this winter!



19th Annual Festival of Trees

DATES November 17 – December 5
TIME 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
LOCATION The Mall at Sierra Vista
2200 El Mercado Loop
ADMISSION Free

The 19th Annual Festival of Trees will transform The Mall at Sierra Vista into a winter wonderland starting on Saturday, November 17. Hosted by the Sierra Vista Area Chamber of Commerce and Herald/Review Media, the Festival of Trees has signaled the start of the holiday season in Sierra Vista for nearly 20 years.

Each year local community organizations and groups donate elaborately decorated trees that members of the public can bid on while they are on display inside the mall. The auction and raffle will conclude at the award celebration on Wednesday, December 5, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. A portion of the proceeds raised will support National Alliance on Mental Illness Southeastern Arizona!

Raffle tickets are available at the Sierra Vista Area Chamber, The Sierra Vista Herald, and The Mall at Sierra Vista.

Santa Fly-In

DATE Saturday, December 1
TIME 9:00 – 11:00 AM
LOCATION C.A.L. Ranch
673 Highway 90
FEE Free

With their reindeer still getting ready for the big day, Mr. and Mrs. Claus will visit Sierra Vista early on board a helicopter! Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will land in the C.A.L. Ranch parking lot at about 9:00 a.m. and will be eager to greet the many families waiting for an early taste of Christmas magic. Thanks to the Sierra Vista Area Chamber of Commerce for working with the Claus family to fit this annual event into their busy schedule each year.



Yuletide Market Holiday Bazaar

DATES Saturday, December 1
TIME 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
LOCATION Ethel H. Berger Center
2950 E. Tacoma Street
ADMISSION Free

Put a bow on your Christmas gift list at this favorite annual bazaar. Peruse a variety of handmade treasures including glassware, jewelry, holiday decorations, scarves, photography, oils and soaps, and much more. Food will be available for purchase in the dining area. For more information, contact Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.



60th Annual Christmas Light Parade

DATE Saturday, December 1
TIME 5:30 – 7:30 PM
LOCATION Fry Boulevard
FEE Free

Join your friends and neighbors along Fry Boulevard to take in Arizona's longest running Christmas parade! Floats decked out with lights will fill the City's main street with cheer as we celebrate 60 years of this traditional parade hosted by the Sierra Vista Area Chamber of Commerce. This year's theme of Winter Wonderland is sure to bring delight to spectators of all ages. The parade begins at 7th Street and ends at Avenida Escuela.

Night of Extraordinary Lights Holiday Village

DATES Friday & Saturday, December 7 & 8
TIME 4:00 – 9:00 PM
LOCATION Brown Parade Field, Fort Huachuca*
ADMISSION Free

U.S. Army Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation will present Night of Extraordinary Lights (NOEL) Holiday Village. Activities include: light displays, ice skating rink (skates provided), photos with Santa, holiday movies, letters to the North Pole, and more. Concessions will be available to purchase and craft vendors will be available for holiday shopping. For more information, call (520) 533-5714 or (520) 538-0836.



Annual Tree Lighting

DATE **Friday, December 7**

TIME **5:30 PM**

LOCATION **Veterans Memorial Park**

ADMISSION **Free**

The City of Sierra Vista's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony gathers family, friends, and neighbors together to celebrate the wonder of the Christmas season. Children of all ages come to experience this magical time while enjoying the holiday entertainment courtesy of the Sierra Vista Community Band. Complimentary cookies and hot chocolate will warm our bodies as the lights and community fellowship warm our spirits.

Santa Claus will make a special appearance with gifts for the children (while supplies last). Thanks to the First Things First Cochise Regional Partnership Council for helping Santa provide the gifts!

SAVE THE SANTAS

The Old World Santas from around the world display has become less than jolly, so it won't make an appearance this year. Plans are underway to reproduce them for a 2019 debut. Stay tuned for news on how to help!



Christmas Benefit Concert Sierra Vista Community Chorus

DATE **Friday, December 7**

TIME **7:00 PM**

LOCATION **Klein Center for the Performing Arts
5225 Buena School Boulevard**

ADMISSION **Free** (no tickets required)

Residents of all ages are invited to enjoy a variety of Christmas songs old and new as performed by the Sierra Vista Community Chorus, under the direction of Sharon Keene. The concert will include a guest performance by the Buena High School Choir.

Admission is free but donations of non-perishable food items for local food banks or new, unwrapped toys for the Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services will be accepted. The fire department can also accept cash, gift, cards or checks. Learn more about the toy drive on page 12.



Children's Holiday Party

DATE **Saturday, December 8**

TIME **10:00 AM - NOON**

LOCATION **The Mall at Sierra Vista
2200 El Mercado Loop**

ADMISSION **Free** (includes all activities)

Head inside The Mall at Sierra Vista for holiday favorites and family fun at the City's annual Children's Holiday Party! There will be games, holiday crafts, face painting, cookie decorating, stage entertainment, and plenty of excitement for little ones to enjoy. Santa and Frosty will be there too! For more information, contact Ken James at (520) 458-7922 or Ken.James@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

Thanks to First Things First and all our other community sponsors for their support!



26th Annual Holiday Historic Tour of Homes

DATE **Saturday, December 8**

TIME **Noon - 4:00 PM**

LOCATION **Brown Parade Field, Fort Huachuca***

ADMISSION **\$12** (advance)

\$15 (day of event)

Visit Fort Huachuca's "old post" and take a walk through Christmas past at the 26th Annual Holiday Historic Tour of Homes hosted by the Fort Huachuca Community Spouses' Club. A uniformed officer will greet visitors to each beautifully decorated turn-of-the-century officer's home on the tour.

Advanced tickets will be available for \$12 at www.fhcsc.com starting on November 1. They are also on sale at Safeway, ACE Hardware, and the Fort Huachuca Museum. Tickets on the day of the event will be available for \$15.

Swinging Christmas Holiday Dinner & Dance

DATE **Saturday, December 15**

TIME **6:00 - 9:00 PM**

LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center
2950 E. Tacoma Street**

ADMISSION **\$14 per person** (ages 16+)

Enjoy good food, great friends, and wonderful music from the Desert Swing Band. Everyone ages 16 and older is welcome. Dinner, dessert, and non-alcoholic beverages are included in the ticket price. Tickets will be on sale at the Oscar Yrun Community Center through December 5 or until sold out. For more information, please contact Parmalee Mitchell at Parmalee.Mitchell@SierraVistaAZ.gov or (520) 439-2300.



Senior Holiday Dinner

DATES **Tuesday, December 18**

Wednesday, December 19

TIME **4:00 PM**

LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center
2950 E. Tacoma Street**

FEE **\$16 per person** (55+)

Active adults ages 55 and better are invited to the return of the City's Senior Holiday Dinner! After a hiatus of several years, this traditional holiday dinner is back with a variety of entertainment and door prizes. Tickets will be on sale at the Oscar Yrun Community Center from November 1 through December 8, or until sold out. All tickets must be purchased in advance and the choice of apple or pumpkin pie must be given when purchasing your ticket.

Limited table reservations of eight are available and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets for each seat at the reserved table must be paid in full at the time of the table reservation and all individuals names must be submitted at the time of ticket purchase. Seating is very limited for this year's event so get your tickets early! Doors will open at 3:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 4:00 p.m. Please call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300 for more information.

***IMPORTANT ACCESS NOTE** If you'd like to visit Fort Huachuca, please remember the Fort is an active military installation and specific entrance requirements are enforced. U.S. Citizens without a valid Department of Defense credential will be subjected to a background check before receiving a photo ID pass, valid for up to 30-days. Allow 30 minutes to complete the entrance requirements. Current vehicle registration and proof of vehicle insurance may be requested. International visitors must arrange for an approved military escort in advance (PIO@SierraVistaAZ.gov). The Fort may be closed without notice.

Extraordinary Outings

Wine Tasting in Historic Downtown Willcox



Join us for a great day of Wine tasting and exploration in Historic Downtown Willcox. The trip will feature wine tastings from three tasting rooms located in the heart of historic Willcox. Visit the tasting rooms at your own pace and enjoy lunch on your own at one of several local eateries. Explore the local shops and boutiques or visit one of the four museums highlighting the unique history of Willcox. The fee includes tasting tickets, wine glass, and round trip transportation from the Ethel H. Berger Center.

DATES **Saturday, January 26, 2019**
DEPART **10:00 AM**
RETURN **5:00 PM**
FEE **\$65 per person** (age 21+)



Register at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) by Searching for "Wine Tasting in Historic Downtown Willcox." Registration closes at 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 23, 2019, or when the trip is sold out. Please contact Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300 for more information.

Sunday Concert



Sierra Vista Community Band

DATE **Sunday, December 9**
TIME **2:00 PM**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**
ADMISSION **Free**

Come and enjoy a Sunday afternoon listening to the Sierra Vista Community Band, the only concert band in Cochise County that rehearses and performs year-round. Its 30-plus members range in age from 17 to 70 and come from Sierra Vista, Hereford, Tombstone, Whetstone, and Fort Huachuca. This concert is free and open to the public. The doors will open at 1:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.

Dine-A-Night



If you're an adult age 55 and up, join us at a popular area restaurant for dinner on the second Thursday of each month and meet new friends!

Call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300 to add your name to the guest list and please provide your menu choice at that time. If you would like to sit with friends, please list their names when you call to sign up.

Meals are paid for at the restaurant. To help with planning, please sign up early. Registration for the next Dine-A-Night begins the day after the previous event ends. As this is such a popular program, the last day to sign up is the Friday before the event. Cancellations must be made by telephone 24 hours prior to the dinner — *any no shows are responsible to pay the restaurant*. Dinner starts at 4:30 p.m.

NOTES *The November Dine-A-Night is already full. There will be no Dine-A-Night in December.*

INDOCHINE FAMILY RESTAURANT

DATE **Thursday, January 10, 2019**
ADDRESS **1299 E. Fry Boulevard**

The menu choices are 1) chicken ragout served with bread, 2) teriyaki salmon with stir fried vegetables and steamed rice, or 3) pork escalopes with mashed potatoes and carrots. Entrées are served with non-alcoholic beverages. Tax and gratuity are included in the cost of \$15 per person. Registration begins on November 9 and closes on January 4, 2019.

LANDMARK CAFE

DATE **Thursday, February 14, 2019**
ADDRESS **400 W. Fry Boulevard**

Choose from 1) deep fried cod with fries, cole slaw and a corn muffin, 2) baked chicken with mashed potatoes and green beans, side garden salad with ranch dressing, and a dinner roll, or 3) pot roast with roasted potatoes and gravy, carrots, side garden salad with ranch dressing, and a dinner roll. All entrées are served with dessert and a non-alcoholic beverage. Tax and gratuity are included in the cost of \$15 per person. Registration begins January 11, and closes February 8.

Adults at Play



BILLIARDS FOR LADIES

Ladies, bring your own cue or borrow one of ours. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. on Fridays in the lounge at the Ethel H. Berger Center (EBC).

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Join the bridge group Mondays starting at noon at the Oscar Yrun Community Center (OYCC). Just show up, no registration is required.

EUCHRE CLUB

If you like to play euchre but can't find anyone to play with, there are plenty of people ready to play at the OYCC every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. Drop by for some fun and an opportunity to meet new friends.

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Join three tables of very friendly people every Tuesday and Thursday at noon at the EBC. No experience playing the game is necessary!

PARTY BRIDGE

Join fellow bridge players every Wednesday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the EBC. No registration is required. Play with as few as four, or as many players as you like. Party Bridge is like contract bridge and requires a basic knowledge of the game. It is more about the personal joy of your ending score than the mechanics of card values or strategies.

SHUFFLEBOARD

Join other interested players every Friday at 10:00 a.m. at the shuffleboard courts behind the OYCC. Beginners are welcome! Call Janet Kempf at (520) 459-0522 for more information.

TABLE TENNIS

Come try your hand at table tennis at the EBC. Tables are available for play on weekdays. Please refer to the monthly schedule located at the EBC for specific dates and times. Tables are first-come, first-served. Scheduled days may be cancelled due to facility space. Paddles and balls are available for use.

Active Adults

Health Matters



Stroke Support Group

DATES **Wednesday, November 28**
Wednesday, December 19 (see note below)
Wednesday, January 23, 2019

TIME **4:00 PM**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**
FEE **Free**

The Stroke Support Group is a free program conducted by representatives from Canyon Vista Medical Center. It is open to anyone who has experienced a stroke as well as their caregivers, family, or friends. The support group provides comfort during the recovery process. Guest speakers and members of the Rehabilitation Services staff target specific topics in the recovery process. No reservations are required to attend. Meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of each month. For more information, call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.

NOTE *The Stroke Support Group will meet the third Wednesday of December due to the Christmas holidays.*



NEW Senior Nutrition

DATES **January 9 – February 13, 2019**
DAY | TIME **Wednesdays, 1:00 PM**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**
FEE **Free** (registration required)

Senior Nutrition is an important component in the aging process for healthy living. Join Cynthia from the U of A Cooperate Extension of Cochise County as she presents a six week course on the importance of Senior Nutrition. The class will span six consecutive Wednesdays. This is a free program but registration is required. Registration deadline is January 4, 2019. Class size is limited. To register or for more information, call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.



Good Cookin' Potlucks

DATES **Friday, November 9**
Friday, December 7 (see note below)
Friday, January 11, 2019

TIME **Noon**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**
ADMISSION **A dish for six people**

Join our staff and share good food and good conversation with good friends on the second Friday of each month at our "good cookin' potlucks" for active adults. Bring a dish and enjoy the old fashioned social hour. For more information, call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.

NOTE *Due to a scheduling conflict, the December potluck will be on the first Friday.*

Arts & Crafts

ADVANCED PAPER CRAFTS & SCRAPBOOKING

Join some of the ladies from the Friday craft group doing advanced paper crafts and scrapbooking. Meet at the Ethel H. Berger Center each Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. No need to register, just drop by.

CRAFT LADIES

If you want to get inspired to pick up an unfinished project and get back to work, or simply craft with a group of like-minded ladies, then you are invited to meet and socialize with the "craft ladies" while doing craft projects every Friday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. at the Ethel H. Berger Center.

WOODCARVERS

Join the Thunder Mountain Woodcarvers group at the Ethel H. Berger Center every Wednesday and Friday at 1:00 p.m. and put knives to wood to create beautiful and functional carved items.

MUSEUM

Current Exhibit & Programs

Rockin' Retro Toys!

Through December 22

Discover what's been hiding in our storage units and your neighbors' houses. Toys! Not just any old toys, but rockin' retro toys from 1900 through the 1960s. Stop by and see if you know what they are and how they're played with. And, we'll be decked out for the holidays with vintage decorations! Get into the holiday spirit with friends and family. It's a blast from the past!



Awesome Objects

Join Museum Curator, Nancy Krieski, for a hands-on, participatory, one-hour program exploring the awesome power of objects. An everyday object is just an object unless it was used by a prominent person or part of an important historical event. Each month, objects from the museum's collection will serve as the inspiration for storytelling, shared experiences, a little local history, and fun!

MONTHLY TOPICS

Retro Toys & Games..... Monday, November 19
Vintage Holiday Decor Monday, December 17

TIME 1:00 - 2:00 PM

LOCATION Sierra Vista Public Library
Public Meeting Room

Awesome Objects will meet the third Monday of each month through December, 2018. Please bring an object to share that relates to each month's topic. It's show 'n' tell for grownups! For details, call (520) 439-2306 or email Nancy.Krieski@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

Henry the Inquisitive Packrat

INVITES YOU TO BECOME A JUNIOR HISTORY DETECTIVE

Put on our detective cap and grab a magnifying glass to investigate Sierra Vista's extraordinary past! Take part in our scavenger hunt for kids and win prizes! Open to students in first through sixth grades. Home-schooled students and out-of-town visitors are welcome! Call (520) 439-2306 for more information.



KIDS INTERACTIVE AREA

Check out our Kids Interactive Retro Gadgets Area. Stop by and see if you know what they are and how they work!



Sierra Vista Genealogy "Genie" Club

Interested in researching your family history and don't know where to begin? Attend the monthly meeting of the Sierra Vista Genealogy "Genie" Club, hosted by the Henry F. Hauser Museum.

The Sierra Vista Genealogy Club, formed in 2006, is hosted by members of the Tombstone Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It became a project of the Sierra Vista Historical Society in 2009. The purpose of the club is to foster genealogical research.

The club meets the first Wednesday of each month, October through April, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Ethel H. Berger Center.

THIS SEASON'S THEME: CONNECTIONS

November 7 Family Tree Connections
December 5 Awesome Family Objects
January 2, 2019..... Location Connections
February 6, 2019 ... Organizational Connections

Henry F. Hauser Museum

The Henry F. Hauser Museum is located inside the Ethel H. Berger Center at 2950 E. Tacoma Street.

MUSEUM & GIFT SHOP HOURS

Now open Saturday and Wednesday evenings!

Monday & Tuesday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Wednesday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Thursday-Friday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Saturday 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Sunday & Holidays CLOSED

NOTES The museum will be open Saturday, November 24! There are extended Saturday hours for special events—see the museum's web page for details.

MUSEUM CLOSURES

DATES December 24 - January 11, 2019

The Museum and Gift Shop will be closed December 24 through January 11, 2019 for deinstallation of the Rockin' Retro Toys exhibit and the installation of the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street traveling exhibit, Water|Ways and our local companion exhibit, Changing Landscapes, which will open Saturday, January 12, 2019. We apologize for the inconvenience. It will be well worth the wait! See pages 20 and 21 for details on these exciting exhibits.

TOURS

We offer specialized tours for your group; children, teenagers, adults, and/or seniors. Just give us a call or send an email requesting information and to schedule your group. We tailor each tour to fit your needs!

CHECK OUT OUR ONLINE COLLECTIONS DATABASE!

Go to HenryHauser.PastPerfectOnline.com to take a peek into our artifact, document, and photograph collections. There's even an option for requesting information, photographs, and archival materials. Check frequently to find out what's new! Let us know which item(s) you like best by using the email link on the website!



This icing tube, ca. 1950s, was a recent "What is It?" item.

What is It?

Visit the museum each month to test your knowledge of a particular artifact. Do you know what it is? Correct answers will be entered into a drawing each month for a gift from the museum's gift shop. A new artifact will be displayed the first day of each month. Come join the fun!

Amazing Arizona 2018-2019 Season

Museum

Sierra Vista Water|Ways—Changing Landscapes

The Smithsonian is coming to Sierra Vista! In preparation for the Smithsonian's Museum on Main Street Water|Ways traveling exhibit, we're pleased to offer a remarkable speaker series beginning in November.

Sierra Vista Water|Ways—Changing Landscapes explores the relationships between people and water and asks us to reflect on the significance of this vital element and our connections to it. How has water shaped our local history and traditions? How does water affect the way we live, work, create, and play? How do we care for our local water sources and sustain it for the future?

Amazing Arizona, hosted by the Henry F. Hauser Museum and the Sierra Vista Public Library, is a series of presentations seeking to educate and entertain the community regarding unique historical aspects of our state. Please join us either at the Ethel H. Berger Center or the Sierra Vista Public Library and discover "Amazing Arizona!"

All presentations are free and open to the public. For additional information, please contact Nancy Krieski, Museum Curator, at (520) 439-2306 or Nancy.Krieski@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

Amazing Arizona programs are made possible through Arizona Humanities Speakers Bureau grants and funds provided by the Sierra Vista Historical Society and Friends of the Sierra Vista Public Library.



ARIZONA'S STEAMBOAT ERA

Who Knew There Was One?

DATE | TIME Tuesday, November 6, 1:00 PM
LOCATION Ethel H. Berger Center

Steamboat transportation had a little-known but substantial influence on the opening of the Arizona Territory in the latter half of the 19th century. For decades, river steamboats performed enormous services in development of the west. Why did the U.S. Army pioneer "river navigation" in Arizona? Find out how shallow rivers could actually support paddle wheel traffic—or could they? Join cartographer and geographer, Glenn Minuth, as he shares many of the other perplexing problems that had to be overcome to conduct successful riverine operations, including river pirates and the character of the entrepreneurial risk takers.



THE PAGEANT OF HUMAN HISTORY

In the Riverine Environment of the Upper San Pedro Valley

DATE | TIME Tuesday, December 4, 1:00 PM
LOCATION Sierra Vista Public Library Meeting Room
2600 E. Tacoma Street

Professor emeritus of geography and public planning, Northern Arizona University, George Van Otten, presents an overview of the sequence of human occupancy and settlement along and near the banks of the San Pedro River where it flows through its Upper Basin in Cochise County, Arizona. It is also an account of the ways in which various groups of people at different times adapted to the challenges and exploited the resources of this unique wild and rugged natural landscape in search of water, food, land, resources, wealth, and power.



WHOSE FAULT IS IT?

Revisiting the 1887 Sonoran Earthquake

DATE | TIME Tuesday, January 8, 2019 | 1:00 PM
LOCATION Ethel H. Berger Center

The 1887 shaking was a major earthquake causing damage in the southwest United States and Mexico. Just how close is the Pitaycachi Fault to Cochise County and how has this fault been studied recently to analyze its reactivation potential? Cartographer and geographer Glenn Minuth will share photos of the fault and discuss its geological significance. He will also review photos of historical damage along with narrative accounts recorded by people who were impacted by the earthquake.

Water|Ways

The Smithsonian is coming to Sierra Vista!

The City's museum has been chosen as one of 12 sites in Arizona to host the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street traveling exhibit, Water|Ways!



Changing Landscapes

A Smithsonian Water|Ways Companion Exhibit

WATER|WAYS EXHIBIT GRAND OPENING

DATE **Saturday, January 12, 2019**

RIBBON CUTTING **1:00 PM**

EXHIBIT OPENING **1:30 - 3:30 PM**

EXHIBIT RUNS **January 12 - February 25, 2019**

Pre-Exhibit Event

Become Part of our Companion Exhibit!

WATER|WAYS GLAZE-A-PIECE

DATE **Saturday, November 10**

ADULTS (mug) **10:30 AM - 12:30 PM** (ages 18+)

KIDS (plate) **1:30 - 3:30 PM** (ages 10-17)

LOCATION **The Pottery Studio @ Sierra Vista
Oscar Yrun Community Center
3020 E. Tacoma Street**

FEE **Free** (registration required)

We're inviting the first 12 kids ages 10 through 17 and 12 adults to participate in a Glaze-a-Piece pottery activity. Pieces will be displayed in our museum for the duration of the Water|Ways exhibit. Come and create your own water inspired design on a plate or mug.

Space is limited. To reserve your spot, email Debra.Block@SierraVistaAZ.gov or call (520) 439-2307. Register Today!

Water|Ways explores the endless motion of the water cycle, water's effect on landscape, settlement and migration, and its impact on culture and spirituality. It looks at how political and economic planning have long been affected by access to water and used to control water resources.

Exhibit Events

We've planned an extensive array of programs and activities for kids, teens, and adults in celebration of Water|Ways.

Water|Ways Programs for Adults



STACKS AFTER SUNSET: A CONVERSATION ABOUT WATER RESOURCES, USE, AND MANAGEMENT IN THE UPPER SAN PEDRO RIVER VALLEY

DATE **Friday, January 18, 2019**

TIME **5:30 - 7:00 PM**

LOCATION **Sierra Vista Public Library
Public Meeting Room**

Join moderator, George Van Otten, Professor Emeritus of Geography and Public Planning, Northern Arizona, for a panel discussion about water resources, use, and management in the Upper San Pedro River Valley. Panel members include County Supervisor Pat Call, Friends of the San Pedro River member Tricia Gerrodette, community member and former vice president of Bella Vista Water/Ranches Judy Gignac, and local rancher and member of the Hereford Natural Resource Conservation District, Jim Lindsey.



SAN PEDRO RIVER TOUR

DATE **Saturday, January 26, 2019**

TIME **9:00 - 11:00 AM**

LOCATION **San Pedro House
9800 E. Hwy 90**

Friends of the San Pedro River and hydrogeologist Victoria Hermosilla, in partnership with the City of Sierra Vista's Henry F. Hauser Museum, are offering a free guided hike along the San Pedro River. The tour covers a range of educational topics such as riparian ecology, river hydrology, groundwater science, native and migratory birds, and water policy. Join us at the San Pedro House shortly before 9:00 a.m. for this discussion-focused hike, all while enjoying the scenic beauty of the San Pedro River corridor. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water.

Water|Ways Programs for Kids, Teens, and Adults

WATERCOLOR MAGIC HOOPS FOR KIDS

DATES **Saturday, January 19, 2019**
OR **Saturday, February 23, 2019**
TIME **10:00 – 11:00 AM**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**
FEE **Free**

Children ages 7 through 13 will use their imaginations to create a water scene depicting an aspect of water found in the San Pedro Valley. Using markers and colored pencils, participants will draw their water scene on fabric or choose from available templated prints. Magic happens when a watercolor solution is added. Each masterpiece is then framed in an embroidery hoop. Participants in the January class have the option to display their creation in the museum as part of our companion exhibit!



Class size is limited to 30 participants per session. Registration is required. To reserve your space, call (520) 439-2307 or email Debra.Block@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

We thank the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild for sponsoring and conducting these classes.

SLOW THE H₂O – RAIN CHAINS WORKSHOP

DATE **Saturday, February 2, 2019**
ADULTS **10:00 – 11:30 PM** (ages 18+)
KIDS & TEENS **1:00 – 2:30 PM** (ages 10–17)
NOTE *A parent or guardian is encouraged to participate.*
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**
FEE **Free**

Help us create unique artistic rain chains to channel water from the Ethel H. Berger Center roof into the vegetation. We'll be using various metal items such as spoons, forks, funnels, and bells, and we'll add some beads for color! After each creation is made, we'll do a short "hanging ceremony." Once you've learned the basics, you can create your own at home from your own recycled "treasures."

Space is limited to 10 adult participants in the morning class and 20 youth participants in the afternoon class. To reserve your place, call (520) 439-2307 or email Debra.Block@SierraVistaAZ.gov. Register today!

Water|Ways

More Water|Ways Programs for Adults

HYDROLOGY AND WATER RESOURCES 101

DATE **Saturday, January 26, 2019**
TIME **1:00 – 2:00 PM**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**

As we move into the 21st century, our water resources and management will need to become more adaptive under the pressures of population growth and less predictable weather patterns. This interactive and discussion-based presentation, with hydrogeologist Victoria Hermosilla, covers the water cycle, surface water and groundwater basics with considerations of water usage as it relates to water and energy, and water and food. Victoria will also provide access to groundwater models and other informational displays.



A HISTORY AND OVERVIEW OF WATER TREATMENT AT THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATIONS PARK

Presentation and Tour

DATE **Saturday, February 16, 2019**
TIME **1:00 PM**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**

Wastewater treatment isn't something most people like to think about, but it is vital to protect public health. Did you know that buildings from the City's first wastewater treatment facility are still standing in Sierra Vista's historic West End? Did you know that the City once used treated effluent to grow alfalfa? What does the City do with its effluent today? From the West End, to harvesting alfalfa, to the single-most important recharge project in our region, come hear about the history and future of wastewater treatment operations from the City's Public Works Director, Sharon Flissar. Then meet her at the EOP for an optional tour, following the hour-long presentation.

WATER|WAYS

Water|Ways has been made possible in Sierra Vista by Arizona Humanities and the Walton Sustainability Solutions Initiatives and School of Historical, Philosophical, and Religious Studies at Arizona State University.

Water|Ways is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and State Humanities Councils nationwide. Support for Museum on Main Street has been provided by the United States Congress.

Water|Ways was adapted from an exhibition organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York (www.amnh.org), and the Science Museum of Minnesota, St. Paul (www.smm.org), in collaboration with Great Lakes Science Center, Cleveland; The Field Museum, Chicago; Instituto Sangari, Sao Paulo, Brazil; National Museum of Australia, Canberra; Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, Canada; San Diego Natural History Museum; and Science Centre Singapore with PUB Singapore.



Smithsonian Institution



HENRY F. HAUSER MUSEUM

Ethel H. Berger Center
2950 E. Tacoma Street
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
(520) 439-2306

Nancy.Krieski@SierraVistaAZ.gov

Aquatics

Extraordinary Water Recreation for All Ages!

The Cove features the coolest indoor water fun in southeast Arizona! We have a huge pool with a beach style entry, a water play area with a slide for kids under five, a warm water pool for you to sit in and unwind, and two large water slides. For more information, stop by or call (520) 417-4800.

Swim Lessons



Winter Youth Swim Lessons

DATES **February 2 – March 23, 2019**
 DAYS **Saturday**
 TIMES **8:00 – 8:30 AM**
 8:35 – 9:05 AM
 9:10 – 9:40 AM
 FEE **\$55 per child** (for 8 lessons)

Registration for winter youth swim lessons opens on Thursday, January 3, 2019.

NOTE For details on swim lesson levels and specific times classes are offered, please contact The Cove.

LEISURE SERVICES

Sierra Vista Aquatic Center “The Cove”
 2900 Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway
 Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
 (520) 417-4800

Private Swim Lessons

The Cove offers private swim lessons. These are completely customized to the needs of the student. They are available to everyone from infants to adults, as well as those with special needs. Please contact Mary Stryker at The Cove for more information and to get started.

Adult Swim Lessons

The Cove is excited to be offering adult swim lessons for those over the age of 18! It is the perfect time to take the “plunge” with some amazing instructors and get started on your New Year’s resolution of learning to swim and getting fit!

Registration for the following classes is currently open — sign up at The Cove.

LEARNING THE BASICS

DATES **January 8 – 31, 2019**
 DAYS **Tuesday & Thursday**
 TIME **6:00 – 6:45 PM**
 FEE **\$65 per person** (for 8 lessons)

For those who are new to the water or are just not comfortable in the water. This class will teach you the skills you need to be comfortable and safe in the water, while having fun. It will also prepare you to become active in the water.

IMPROVING SKILLS

DATES **January 7 – 30, 2019**
 DAYS **Monday & Wednesday**
 TIME **6:00 – 6:45 PM**
 FEE **\$65 per person** (for 8 lessons)

For those that have an understanding of the basic strokes, but would like to build upon that knowledge to improve their skills and swimming strokes.

For more information about Adult Swim Lessons, please call (520) 417-4800 or email Mary Stryker at Mary.Stryker@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Customer Service

Monday – Thursday 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM
 Friday 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM
 Saturday 9:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Open Swim Hours

Saturday NOON – 5:30 PM

Lap Swim Hours

Monday – Friday 5:30 – 8:00 AM
 Monday – Friday 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
 Monday – Thursday 6:00 – 7:30 PM
 Saturday 9:30 – 11:30 AM

Splash Time Hours

Monday – Friday 10:00 AM – NOON
 Saturday 9:30 – 11:30 AM

NOTE *Splash Time* is for children 5 years and younger. Children must be accompanied in the water by an adult (18+ years).

HOLIDAYS & CLOSURES

Annual Maintenance Shutdown

November 26 – December 26 CLOSED
 Thursday, Dec 27 NORMAL HOURS RESUME

New Year’s Day

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 CLOSED

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, January 21, 2019 CLOSED

ADMISSION

Open Swim

Youth (5 – 17 years) \$2.50
 Adult (18 – 54 years) \$4.00
 Senior (55+ years) \$3.25

Children 5 and under are always free when accompanied in the water by a paid adult (18+ years).

Lap Swim

Per Session \$3

Splash Time

Per Child with Adult \$3
 Extra Adult 50¢

Swim Passes

	10 VISITS	20 VISITS	30 VISITS
Youth		\$70	\$100
Adult		\$110	\$165
Senior		\$90	\$135
Lap		\$50	\$70
Splash Time	\$25	\$50	\$70

Aquatics

Water Workouts

Exercise in water reduces stress on bones and muscles, provides resistance for strength training, and is a great way to build cardiovascular health.



WATER WORKOUT CLASS FEES

8 visits.....	\$44
6 visits.....	\$33
4 visits.....	\$22
1 visit.....	\$6

Prices are monthly—no rollovers!

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Visits are issued to a single person. Discounted prices must be used for one class and are not interchangeable.
- All visits must be used during the month. Unused visits will not carry over to the following month.
- Activities can be purchased at The Cove or the Oscar Yrun Community Center. All activities are nonrefundable, nontransferable, and will expire at the end of each month.
- Participants are not permitted to enter the water prior to being instructed to do so.
- Instructors are subject to change without notice and may be substituted occasionally.
- Classes are subject to cancellation due to insufficient registration/enrollment.

AQUA CARDIO

High energy aqua aerobic classes are geared toward anyone looking for a powerful workout.

DAYS	TIME	PLACE
M & F	8:00–8:50 AM	Beach

BODIES IN MOTION

Encourage your cardiac health and develop a greater range of motion, strength, and balance in this progressive approach to fitness.

DAYS	TIME	PLACE
M & F	9:00–9:50 AM	Beach

PILATES H₂O

Target your core and improve flexibility with this unique water fitness class. Using Pilates exercises, with the natural resistance of water, you will tone abdominals, strengthen your back, and improve your balance and coordination. Participants may wear flotation belts and should be comfortable in chest-deep water.

DAYS	TIME	PLACE
M & F	10:00–10:50 AM	Beach

JOINTS IN MOTION

After a brief water walking workout, let the warm water relax your tense muscles as you work your joints to increase their range of motion and strength.

DAYS	TIME	PLACE
M & F	11:00–11:50 AM	Beach & Warm Pool

AQUA ZUMBA

Join the Zumba “pool party!” Integrate the Zumba formula and philosophy with traditional aqua fitness disciplines.

DAYS	TIME	PLACE
M & W	6:00–6:50 PM	Beach

DEEP WATER

Come try the benefits of deep-water workouts while being buoyant and upright.

DAYS	TIME	PLACE
T & Th	6:00–6:50 PM	Lap Pool

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION SERVICES (T-RecS)



This program provides recreation opportunities to adults with developmental disabilities. It is funded through the Arizona Department of Economic Security—Division of Developmental Disabilities (DES-DDD). Activities include, but are not limited to: monthly dances, bowling on Fort Huachuca, game night, arts and crafts, and more.

For more information, contact your DDD Support Coordinator or call Marita Helbig at (520) 458-7922.

Library

Adults at the Library

Follow “Sierra Vista Public Library” on Facebook to find even more great programs.

It's About the Books



BOOK DISCUSSION

DATES **Wednesday, November 21**
No discussion in December
Wednesday, January 16, 2019

TIME **10:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

LOCATION **Conference Room**

Book discussions are open to anyone who loves to read and discuss books. The titles for each month are as follows: *Slaughterhouse 5* by Kurt Vonnegut in November; no discussion in December; and *Beloved* by Toni Morrison in January.

Technology

DIGITAL LIBRARIAN

DATES **December 14 & January 11, 2019**

DAY | TIME **Friday, 11:00 AM – Noon**

LOCATION **Reference Desk**

DATES **Tuesday, November 27 & January 22, 2019**
Thursday, December 27

TIME **4:00 – 5:00 PM**

LOCATION **Reference Desk**

Do you need help downloading an electronic book or audiobook, tips for your tablet, or need an in-depth demonstration of how to use the library's databases? We are here to help you navigate life's many digital challenges.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Sierra Vista Public Library
2600 E. Tacoma Street
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
(520) 458-4225
Library@SierraVistaAZ.gov

AN HOUR TO KILL — MYSTERY AND CRIME BOOK CLUB

DATES **Friday, November 2**
Friday, December 7
Friday, January 4, 2019

TIME **1:00 – 2:00 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Swing by with your bagged lunch for a lively discussion on popular mystery titles, make new friends, and engage your brain—if you DARE! The November book will be *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier. In December, we'll discuss the noir classic *The Snow was Dirty* by Georges Simenon. *The Spy Who Came in From the Cold* by John Le Carré will be our title for January.

FICTION WRITERS CLUB

DATES **Saturday, November 17**
Saturday, December 15
Saturday, January 19, 2019

TIME **2:30 – 3:30 PM**

LOCATION **Conference Room**

In this workshop-style meeting we'll discuss different writing processes. After discussion we'll have a 20 minute writing period and follow that up by sharing some of our work.



COMPUTING MADE EASY

These computer classes cover basic keyboard and mouse instruction, Microsoft Word, email and file management, basic home computer care, and more. Classes are held on the first and second Tuesday of the month in the programming conference room from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Please call or stop by the circulation desk to register.

Tuesday Talks



ISRAEL'S 70TH BIRTHDAY AND THE PALESTINIAN CONFLICT

DATE **Tuesday, November 13**

TIME **1:00 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

SPEAKER **David Thompson**

This year is the 70th anniversary of Israel's founding. Hear from lecturer David Thompson how in seven decades it has built a formidable military, strong economy, a cutting edge high-tech industry, a Nobel prize-winning science base, and one of the world's best health services, and has revived the Hebrew language. It has a vibrant cultural scene and a still viable parliamentary democracy. But the conflict that underlaid the 1948 war has not been resolved.

TEDDY ROOSEVELT

DATE **Tuesday, December 11**

TIME **1:00 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

SPEAKER **David Thompson**

Theodore Roosevelt unexpectedly became the 26th president of the United States in September, 1901, after the assassination of William McKinley. Young and physically robust, he brought a new energy to the White House and won a second term on his own merits in 1904. A dedicated conservationist, he set aside some 200 million acres for national forests, reserves, and wildlife refuges during his presidency. In the foreign policy arena, Roosevelt won a Nobel Peace Prize for his negotiations to end the Russo-Japanese War, and spearheaded the beginning of construction on the Panama Canal. Lecturer David Thompson will cover the life and times of America's greatest civil servant.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN NORTHEAST ASIA?

DATE **Tuesday, January 15, 2019**

TIME **1:00 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

SPEAKER **David Thompson**

Northeast Asia is one of the most important economic regions of the world. It is also one of the major political centers and has significant influence on international affairs. By the end of the 1990s, Northeast Asia had a share of 12 percent of global energy consumption. By 2030 the strong economic growth in the region is expected to double or triple this share. Discover more about this region and its effect on the world with lecturer David Thompson.

Adults at the Library

Library

Job Skills Labs



ONLINE JOB SEARCHING

DATE **Saturday, November 10**

TIME **10:00 – 11:30 AM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Job seekers today have a plethora of online career placement services from which to choose. It's easy to feel overwhelmed when trying to narrow down all the ads to the appropriate level. Learn how to navigate this online world. Registration is required. Please call (520) 458-4225, stop by the library, or email Susan.Abend@SierraVistaAZ.gov to sign up.

SOFT SKILLS FOR THE WORKPLACE

DATE **Thursday, December 6**

TIME **6:00 – 7:30 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Some of the most important professional skills for workers and employers alike simply can't be taught in a classroom or measured on paper. These traits are called soft skills and they're more crucial to your job search and overall career than you think. Registration is required. Please call (520) 458-4225, stop by the library or email Susan.Abend@SierraVistaAZ.gov to sign up.



RÉSUMÉ BUILDING

DATE **Saturday, January 5, 2019**

TIME **10:00 – 11:30 AM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Using provided software, we will build your resume, save it, and show you how to upload it online. Registration is required. Please call (520) 458-4225, stop by the library, or email Susan.Abend@SierraVistaAZ.gov to sign up.

Stacks After Sunset

Adults ages 18 and up are invited to visit the library after hours to enjoy our special Stacks After Sunset programs!



PAINT NIGHT

DATE **Thursday, November 15**

Thursday, January 17, 2019

TIME **6:30 – 7:30 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Are you a budding Van Gogh, Gauguin, or Seurat? Bring your own canvass to paint night and the library will supply paint and brushes while supplies last. For more information or to register, please call (520) 458-4225, stop by the library, or email Susan.Abend@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

NOTE Registration is required and opens on November 1 and January 2, 2019.



TIE DYE NIGHT

DATE **Thursday, December 20**

TIME **6:30 – 7:30 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Dudes and dudettes BYO (bring your own) T-shirts or other materials for tie dye night. The library will supply the dye. Please call (520) 458-4225, stop by the library, or email Susan.Abend@SierraVistaAZ.gov to sign up.

NOTE Registration is required and opens on December 3.

DREAMCATCHERS

DATE **Friday, December 21**

TIME **5:30 – 6:30 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

If you love the delicate, boho style of a dreamcatcher, make your own with us! Supplies are limited. Registration is required. Please call (520) 458-4225, stop by the library, or email Susan.Abend@SierraVistaAZ.gov to sign up.

NOTE Registration is required and opens on December 3.



SPA NIGHT

DATE **Friday, January 4, 2019**

TIME **5:30 – 6:30 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Keep calm and create your own bath bombs, lip gloss or hair chalk. Supplies are limited. Registration is required. Please call (520) 458-4225, stop by the library, or email Susan.Abend@SierraVistaAZ.gov to sign up.

NOTE Registration is required and opens on January 2, 2019.

A CONVERSATION ABOUT WATER PANEL DISCUSSION

DATE **Friday, January 18, 2019**

TIME **5:30 – 7:00 PM**

LOCATION **Meeting Room**

This program is part of the Henry F. Hauser Museum's companion programs for the Smithsonian's Water|Ways traveling exhibit. For more information on this panel discussion and other Water|Ways exhibit programs, see page 18.

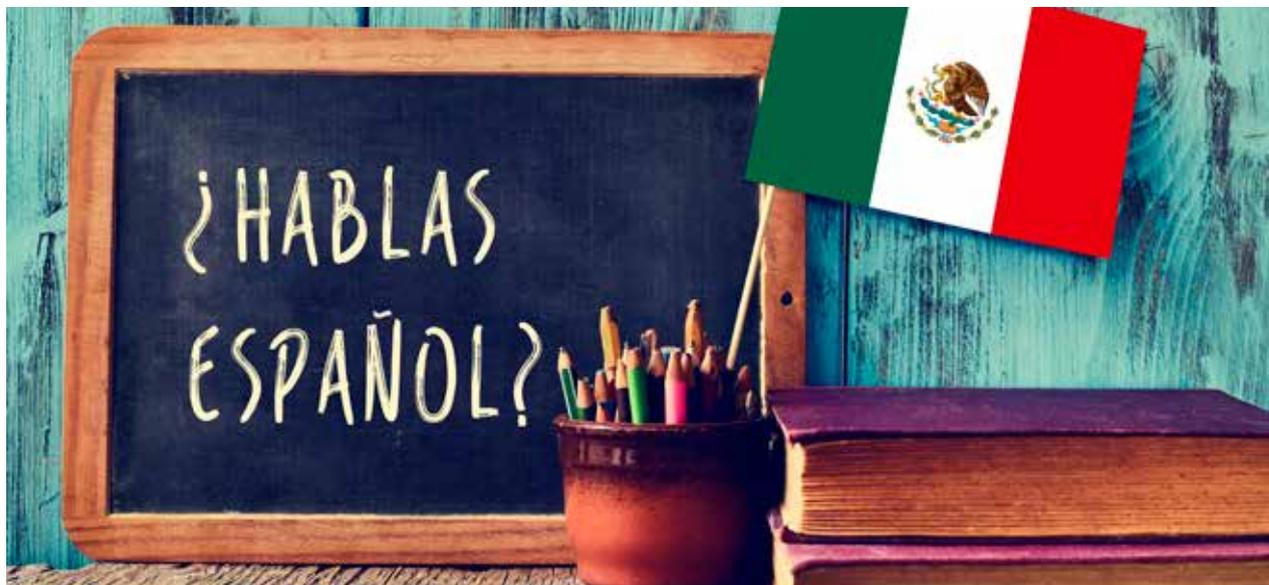
NOTE Registration is required and opens on January 2, 2019.

Library

Adults at the Library

Spanish

When you hear two people speaking rapid, fluent Spanish, it's almost as if they're doing some kind of complex, secret handshake. Are you longing to become a card-carrying member of the top secret Spanish conversation club? Are you ready to break into some basic conversational Spanish? Just try our basic Spanish sessions that are starting up again at the library. For ages 18 and up.



SPANISH I

DATES **December 5 – February 17, 2019**
DAY | TIME **Wednesday, 5:30 – 6:00 PM**
LOCATION **Meeting Room**
INSTRUCTOR **Susan Abend**

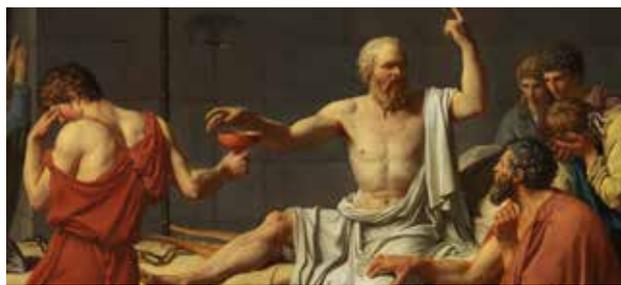
Get started with basic greeting and conversational Spanish in this 12-week course.

SPANISH II

DATES **December 3 – February 25, 2019**
DAY | TIME **Monday, NOON – 1:00 PM**
LOCATION **Meeting Room**
INSTRUCTOR **Susan Abend**

Take the next step from Spanish I with 12 weeks of basic Spanish conversation.

Philosophy & History



SOCRATES CAFÉ

DATES **Fridays, November 9**
Fridays, December 14 & 28
Fridays, January 11 & 25, 2019
TIME **10:30 AM**
LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Socrates Cafés are held globally, where people from different backgrounds assemble to exchange useful ideas, analysis, and experiences while embracing the Socratic Method.



AWESOME OBJECTS

DATES **Monday, November 19**
Monday, December 17
Monday, January 21, 2019
TIME **1:00 – 2:00 PM**
LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Join Museum Curator Nancy Krieski for a hands-on program exploring the awesome power of objects (more details are on page 18). The museum's collection will serve as inspiration for a little local history and fun!

Just for Fun



PUZZLE EXCHANGE

DATES **Friday, November 9**
Friday, December 14
Friday, January 11, 2019
TIME **3:30 – 3:50 PM**
LOCATION **Meeting Room**

Love doing jigsaw puzzles but need ones new to you? Drop by the library for this fast, free, and furious trading of puzzles once a month.



MOVIE MATINÉES

The library shows movies on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Indie favorites, major studio releases, and even oldies but goodies—you can see them all at the library. Movie Matinéés are free and popcorn is available while supplies last. To get a list of upcoming titles, call the library, or pick up a Movie Matinée bookmark the next time you stop by the library.

Adulting 101

Adulting is hard, but it doesn't have to be! Learn basic skills that everyone should know in order to prosper as an adult at this free event.



LAUNDRY AND BASIC MENDING

DATE **Friday, November 2**
TIME **4:30 - 5:30 PM**

Learn the ins and outs of laundry and basic mending. Don't throw away a shirt because it's missing a button, learn how to fix it! This program is open to teens and young adults in seventh grade and up.

Makerspace



MOBILE MAKERSPACE: CODING CLUB

DATES **Friday, November 9**
Fridays, January 11 & 25, 2019
TIME **4:30 - 5:30 PM**

Kids learn to code using games and activities in this staff-created program. Coding Club is recommended for children in third grade and up. Space is limited and registration is required. Registration opens on the Friday two weeks prior to each coding club. Call (520) 458-4225 to reserve your spot.

MAKERSPACE: TEXTILE ARTS

DATES **Tuesday, November 20**
Tuesday, December 18
TIME **4:30 - 6:00 PM**

Using our textile arts materials from the Mobile Makerspace, youth learn different techniques and use those skills to complete projects. Join us in November for yarn painting and in December for soft ornaments. This program is recommended for youth ages 10 and up. Space is extremely limited—please call (520) 458-4225 to register. Registration opens on November 1 and December 1.

Library

Tweens & Teens at the Library

Library at Twilight

MINECRAFT CRAFTS!

DATE **Friday, November 9**
TIME **6:30 - 7:30 PM**

Do you love Minecraft? Come to this free event to make your own Minecraft crafts and answer some Minecraft trivia! This event is for tweens in third through sixth grades. Light refreshments will be provided while supplies last. Space is limited. Registration is required and opens on October 15. Please call (520) 458-4225 to sign up!

TWEEN IRON CHEF

DATE **Friday, December 7**
TIME **6:30 - 7:30 PM**

Tweens working together in teams will use provided ingredients to make a delicious meal that will be presented to three judges. Each plate will be judged on creativity, taste, and presentation. This event is for tweens in third through sixth grades. Space is limited. Registration is required and opens on November 15. Please call (520) 458-4225 to register.

Library After Dark



LASER TAG

DATE **Saturday, November 10**
TIME **6:00 - 7:30 PM**

Play laser tag in the stacks after the library has closed and make perler bead creations or shrinky dinks while waiting for your turn. For youth in seventh through 12th grades only, please. Space is limited and registration is required—call (520) 458-4225 to register.

Teen Holiday Crafter-noon

DATE **Saturday, December 8**
TIME **1:00 - 2:00 PM**

Teens get to make gifts for loved ones and friends. Decorate a mug or make a set of coasters for a special person! All supplies are provided. This event is for youth in seventh through 12th grades. Please call (520) 458-4225 to register.



JEDI TRAINING CAMP

DATE **Friday, January 11, 2019**
TIME **6:30 - 7:30 PM**

Have you ever wanted to be a Jedi Knight? Make laser swords and fight the New Order at this fun event! For tweens in third through sixth grades. Space is limited. Registration is required and opens on December 17. Please call (520) 458-4225 to sign up!

NERF GUN BATTLE

DATE **Saturday, December 8**
TIME **5:00 - 6:30 PM**

Teens get to battle it out in teams for this Nerf gun battle! Please bring your own Nerf gun. For youth in seventh through 12th grades only, please. Space is limited. Registration is required and will open on November 15. Please call (520) 458-4225 to register.

HARRY POTTER ESCAPE ROOM

DATE **Saturday, January 19, 2019**
TIME **6:00 PM**

Teens working together in teams will try to solve the puzzles and escape the room! Each session is 30 minutes, please be on time for your spot. This event is for youth in seventh through 12th grades. Space is limited. Registration is required and opens on January 2, 2019. Please call (520) 458-4225 to sign up!



Library

Children & Families at the Library



Something for Everyone

Storytimes

BABY TIME

DAY | TIME **Tuesdays, 10:20 – 10:55 AM**

This program is geared for children birth to 18 months. Babies will enjoy songs, movement activities, rhymes, board books, and playtime. Adult participation is encouraged.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

DAY | TIME **Wednesdays, 10:20 – 10:55 AM**

This program is geared for children 3 to 5 years of age. Children listen to stories and music and create a craft at the end of storytime. Adult participation is encouraged.

TODDLER STORYTIME

DAY | TIME **Fridays, 10:20 – 10:55 AM**

This program is geared for children 18 months to 3 years of age. Children listen to short stories and music, and we offer playtime at the end. Adult participation is encouraged.

PAJAMA STORYTIME

DATES **Thursday, November 1**
Thursday, December 6
Thursday, January 3, 2019
TIME **6:30 – 7:15 PM**

Kids can get into their pajamas and come to the library for a nighttime storytime! There will be stories, songs, rhymes, and more. This program is for children 5 and under.

SNOWY STORYTIME

DATE **Saturday, December 15**
TIME **11:00 – 11:45 AM**

It may not be snowing outside, but we can still celebrate winter! Kids and their families can enjoy snowy stories, songs, and an activity. This program is recommended for children ages 5 and under and their families.



STEAM SATURDAYS

DATES **Saturday, November 10**
Saturday, December 8
TIME **10:30 – 11:30 AM**

Are you a kid who loves Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics? Then STEAM Saturdays are for you! November is an engineering challenge. In November, we'll learn about the balloons in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and listen to the book *Balloons Over Broadway* by Melissa Sweet. Discover how to use gas to inflate a balloon and then engineer your own float! For December we'll host a reindeer relay (create a pair of horns out of the provided materials)! This program is recommended for children in kindergarten through fifth grade—registration is required. Call (520) 458-4225 to sign up.



LEGO® CLUB

DATES **Monday, November 26**
Monday, December 31
Monday, January 28, 2019
TIME **3:30 – 4:30 PM**

We provide the LEGO®, you provide the creativity at this fun, free, drop-in event! Each month we explore a different theme to challenge the imagination of our creators! This program is recommended for children in kindergarten through fifth grade.

READ TO A THERAPY DOG

DATE **Thursday, November 15**
TIME **2:30 – 4:30 PM**

Kids will have a chance to practice their reading skills with Parker the Therapy Dog. Sign up for 10 minutes of reading whatever book you like to Parker. This program is recommended for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. Registration is required—call (520) 458-4225 to sign up.



WINTER CRAFT TIME

DATE **Thursday, December 20**
TIME **3:30 – 4:30 PM**

Let's celebrate the cold and the snow with winter-themed crafts. There will be snowflake, penguin, and snowman crafts for kids to try. This program is for kids in kindergarten through fifth grade. Registration is required and will open on December 1. Call (520) 458-4225 to sign up.



HAPPY UN-BIRTHDAY PARTY

DATE **Saturday, January 12, 2019**
TIME **1:30 – 2:30 PM**

Let's celebrate everyone's birthday for the whole year in one day! Children and their families will listen to birthday stories, play birthday party games, and of course, have a birthday treat. This program is for all ages.

2019 Youth Recreational Coed Basketball League

Girls and boys, ages 5 through 15, get ready for a fun season! Registration is open and ongoing at the Oscar Yrun Community Center and The Cove. The tipoff for the 2019 Youth Coed Basketball League is tentatively set for January 23, 2019. Practices will begin in early January. League divisions are determined by participants' ages as of December 31, and through a mandatory skill evaluation for certain age divisions.

Registration is open through noon on December 8.

Keep Howling!



AZ Coyotes Hockey Game Trip

Watch the Arizona Coyotes take on the New York Rangers and let us do the driving!

The fee includes admission to the game and round trip transportation from the Ethel H. Berger Center. Participants should bring money for food at the game and a dinner stop on the way home. All ages are welcome but children under 18 must be accompanied by a paid adult.

Preregistration is required and is ongoing at the Oscar Yrun Community Center. Call (520) 439-2302 for more information.

COYOTES VS. RANGERS

DATE **Sunday, January 6, 2019**
 DEPART **8:30 AM**
 GAMETIME **2:00 PM**
 RETURN **8:00 PM**
 LOCATION **Gila River Arena
 Phoenix, Arizona**
 SEATS **Upper Level Ends**
 FEE **\$85 per person**



DIVISION	AGES	FEE	SKILLS EVALUATION
Pee Wee	5 & 6	\$75	Not required
Mighty Mite	7 & 8	\$75	Not required
Bantam	9 & 10	\$85	Monday, December 10 6:30 PM
Junior	11 & 12	\$85	Wednesday, December 12 6:30 PM
Senior	13 - 15	\$85	Friday, December 14 6:30 PM

There is no late or on-site registration. Registration dates are October 1 through noon on December 8. All participants in the Bantam, Junior, and Senior divisions must attend the mandatory skills evaluations for their division in order to be selected or drafted on a team. There will be a make-up skills evaluation day scheduled on Saturday, December 15, at the Rothery Educational Service Center gymnasium (Bantam at 10:00 a.m.,

Junior at 11:00 a.m., and Senior at noon). Slots are limited. Should registration exceed available slots, participants will be placed in the draft based on registration date from earliest to latest until all slots are filled. A copy of each participant's birth certificate is required—if not already on file—at the time of registration. Please call (520) 439-2302 or (520) 439-2275 for detailed information.



YOUTH BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED

Are you interested in coaching in the 2019 Coed Youth Basketball League program? Leisure Sports is looking for more than a few good men and women volunteers (18 and older) who would like to pass on their knowledge, skills, and abilities to community youth, ages 5 through 15. Volunteer applications are available at all Leisure Services facilities or at www.SierraVistaAZ.gov. Please submit volunteer applications directly to the sports office located in the Ethel H. Berger Center by close of business on December 3. Applications will be reviewed and team slots assigned based on need as determined by participant enrollment. Please call (520) 439-2302 or (520) 439-2275 for detailed information.

Kid's W.O.R.L.D.

Kid's Wonderful Opportunities in Recreation & Leisure Development

Kid's W.O.R.L.D. is a group recreation-focused program for children enrolled in kindergarten through sixth grade.

Before & After School Recreation Program



LOCATIONS

Kid's W.O.R.L.D. is offered for children in kindergarten through sixth grade at the following elementary schools:

Bella Vista	801 N. Lenzner Avenue
Carmichael.....	at Bella Vista
Huachuca Mountain	3228 St. Andrews Drive
Pueblo Del Sol.....	5130 Paseo Las Palmas
Town & Country	1313 S. Lenzner Avenue
Village Meadows.....	at Town & Country

NOTE Transportation is provided by Sierra Vista Unified School District (SVUSD) from Carmichael to Bella Vista and from Village Meadows to Town and Country.

Program attendance fees can be paid with a Visa or MasterCard online, by phone, or in person at any Leisure Services facility. Cash and checks are also accepted at all Leisure Service facilities. Parents may enroll their child(ren) on a weekly basis in one or both programs. Registration packets are available at SVUSD elementary sites, The Cove, the Oscar Yrun Community Center, and online at the City's website (www.SierraVistaAZ.gov) on the Kid's W.O.R.L.D. page. A \$10 nonrefundable enrollment fee plus the first week's program fee are due at time of registration. Program fees for the current week are due by 1:00 p.m. the first day of attendance that week.

PROGRAM HOURS

Before school.....	6:40 - 7:50 AM
After school	2:15 - 5:45 PM

SCHEDULE OPTIONS & FEES

Weekly, Monday - Friday	
Before school <i>only</i>	\$22
After school* <i>only</i>	\$44
Both before & after school*	\$55
<i>*Includes a healthy afternoon snack</i>	

SVUSD EARLY RELEASE DAYS

The SVUSD will dismiss school early on several days throughout the school year. The After School Program will open early on those days to accommodate participants already enrolled.

CLOSURES

Program will be closed on days schools are closed for any reason—holidays, weather, etc.

NOTE Kid's W.O.R.L.D. strives to serve children with disabilities where reasonable accommodations can be made. If you have a child who requires ADA accommodations, please call the Oscar Yrun Community Center to receive a "Request for Accommodation" packet and submit it prior to enrollment. For more information, call (520) 458-7922.

LEISURE SERVICES

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3020 E. Tacoma Street
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
(520) 458-7922
Ken.James@SierraVistaAZ.gov



Kid's W.O.R.L.D. Winter Break Recreation Program

For children enrolled in grades K-6

DATES **Monday, December 31**
Wednesday - Friday,
January 2 - 4, 2019

NOTE There will be no program on Tuesday, January 1, 2019 in observance of New Year's Day.

TIME **6:40 AM - 5:45 PM**
LOCATION **Bella Vista Elementary School**
801 N. Lenzner Avenue
(in the cafeteria)
FEE **\$95 per child** (for the week)
Plus \$5 registration fee

NOTE The fee includes healthy morning and afternoon snacks and daily field trips.

Children in kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to join us for fun times and hands-on activities. Parents need to provide lunches. Open enrollment begins November 27 on a space-available basis. Register at the Oscar Yrun Community Center or The Cove (no on-site registration will be accepted). Enrollment forms are available online at the City's website (www.SierraVistaAZ.gov) on the Kid's W.O.R.L.D. page. Enrollment is limited, so register early!

HOST A LEISURE CLASS OR CAMP

The City of Sierra Vista is accepting proposals from businesses and individuals seeking to conduct leisure classes or camps. Areas of interest include adult fitness, sports, special interests, arts and crafts, and the fine arts. Proposals will be accepted and reviewed on an ongoing basis. Final class schedules and locations are subject to availability of City facilities. Proposals will be kept on file for a period of one year. For more information, or to submit a proposal, contact Recreation Supervisor Zach Moss at (520) 417-4800 or Zachary.Moss@SierraVistaAZ.gov.



BASIC ARCHERY

Learn the fundamentals of archery and become a better archer with proper instruction. Master Coach Jerry Busha will teach you the correct form and technique using supplied equipment. You will learn the parts that make up the bow and the arrow, how to use the equipment safely, correct arrow release, aiming, and shot sequence. This class is open to beginner and current archers ages 10 and older.

SESSION CODE **101332-A**
DATES **January 5 - February 16, 2019**
DAY | TIME **Saturday, 10:00 - 11:00 AM**
LOCATION **Brown Field**
INSTRUCTOR **Master Coach Jerry Busha**
FEE **\$55 per person** (per session)

NOTE *There will be no class on February 9 and 23.*

ADVANCED ARCHERY

This archery class is for students who have completed other archery classes. Master Coach Jerry Busha will teach advanced archery skills and advanced equipment setup and maintenance. You will learn what to expect when competing, and you will shoot using NFAA and FITA scoring. This class is for ages 10 and older.

SESSION CODE **101332-C**
DATES **January 5 - February 16, 2019**
DAY | TIME **Saturday, 9:00 - 10:00 AM**
LOCATION **Brown Field**
INSTRUCTOR **Master Coach Jerry Busha**
FEE **\$55 per person** (per session)

NOTE *There will be no class on February 9 and 23.*

Leisure Classes

Learn Something New

BUSY FINGERS

The “yarn babes” have combined knitting and crocheting into one class. Come on down and join the fun! For knitting, please bring plastic or bamboo knitting needles, size 10. For crocheting, please bring crochet hooks, sizes J or K. Also bring one skein of yarn or your current work in progress. Extra help will be available for half an hour after each class.

DAYS **Mondays & Wednesdays**
TIME **1:00 - 2:30 PM**
LOCATION **Oscar Yrun Community Center**
INSTRUCTOR **Nancy Wigmore**
FEE **Free**

FIT & FABULOUS

Looking for a way to improve the quality of your life? This fun class, taught by certified senior exercise instructors, helps maintain your strength, fitness, and flexibility. Wear comfortable clothing—we provide all the equipment.

SESSION CODE **801200-A**
DATES **November 2 - 30**
SESSION CODE **901200-A**
DATES **December 3 - 31**
SESSION CODE **101200-A**
DATES **January 2 - 30, 2019**
DAYS **Monday, Wednesday & Friday**
TIMES **9:00 - 10:00 AM OR 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**
LOCATION **Ethel H. Berger Center**
INSTRUCTOR **Seongok Chang**
FEE **\$20 per person** (per session)



KIDS DRAMA

This class will offer different dynamics of the theater acting warm ups, prop and costume design and fun for your child's creative side. This program is designed to mold the next generation in the performing arts and offer a glimpse into all the magic that happens in front and behind the stage curtains. This class is for children ages 6 to 12.

SESSION CODE **100810**
DATES **January 5 - February 23, 2019**
DAY | TIME **Saturday, 10:00 AM - Noon**
LOCATION **Oscar Yrun Community Center**
INSTRUCTOR **Ilene Axtell**
FEE **\$46 per person** (per session)

NOTE *Supply costs are separate and payable to the instructor.*

The Pottery Studio @ Sierra Vista

OPEN LAB

Explore, experiment, and improve your pottery skills through self-directed work during open lab sessions for potters at any level. The fee includes use of studio equipment, bisque firing, glazes, and glaze firing. Participants may also bring their own tools. Punch Pass is good for eight hours of studio time. Raku firings are available on occasion for an extra fee, inquire at the Studio for details. Please note, Open Lab is not an instructional class.

DAYS | TIMES **Thursdays, 5:00 - 8:00 PM**
Fridays, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturdays, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
LOCATION **Oscar Yrun Community Center**
FEES **\$25 Punch Pass** (good for 8 hours)
\$12 per 25 lb. bag of clay

NOTE *Open Lab will be closed November 22 through 24 for Thanksgiving and December 20 through January 5, 2019 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays, reopening on January 10, 2019.*

GLAZE-A-PIECE

Come to The Pottery Studio @ Sierra Vista and enjoy glazing a pottery mug, bowl, or choose from an assortment of whimsical characters, animals, and fun pieces. No experience is required. Wide assortments of food safe colors are furnished for you to apply your own design and make the piece unique. Fee includes the bisqued piece, glazes, tools, clear glaze dip, studio time, and firing. Your finished piece will generally be ready for pick-up the next week. Available during any pottery studio open lab session.

DAY | TIME **During Open Lab**
LOCATION **Oscar Yrun Community Center**
INSTRUCTOR **Studio Staff**
FEES **\$10 per piece**

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GIVE BACK THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



Many people look forward to the holidays not for the gifts they will receive but for those they intend to give. These gifts could be presents for family members but they are also often gifts of time, money, or support that benefit the people and animals in the community who need it most. We encourage residents to enjoy the gift of giving back this holiday season. Here are some ways to do it!

Adopt an Area

Local families, groups, and organizations are welcome to adopt a multi-use path, public recreation space, neighborhood park, event, or City street. Then they can conduct regular cleanups to keep their piece of public space looking good and report their service hours to the City.

To access an interactive map showing adoptable areas and a brief online application form, head to www.SierraVistaAZ.gov and search for “adopt an area.” To learn more about the program, contact the City’s Community Development Department at (520) 417-4413.

Become a Volunteer

There are numerous volunteer opportunities available in Sierra Vista, whether it’s with the City or one of the many worthy service clubs and nonprofit groups.

Find the areas that interest you and begin learning about opportunities to pitch in at www.SierraVistaAZ.gov/i-want-to-volunteer.

Join a Citizen Commission

The City of Sierra Vista has a variety of citizen commissions that advise the City Council on particular areas of interest ranging from the airport to disability issues.

Some commissions have current vacancies and those that are currently full may have opportunities to become associate members. To learn about citizen commissions and find opportunities to serve, go to www.SierraVistaAZ.gov/your-government/commissions-boards-committees/commissions.

Donate Food, Dollars, or Toys

The holidays can be a tough time for many families, so it’s no surprise food banks and other service organizations see a spike in demand at this time of year. We recommend reaching out to local food banks and finding out what they need most.

Many families also often struggle to afford presents for their children during the holidays. Donations of new, unwrapped toys or dollars to purchase them can be made to the Sierra Vista Fire & Medical Services Christmas Toy Drive. Learn more on page 13.

Finally, participating in the Festival of Trees by bidding on a tree or buying raffle tickets to help support the National Alliance on Mental Illness Southeastern Arizona this year. Learn more on page 14.

Support the Shelter

The animals at the Nancy J. Brua Animal Care Center benefit greatly from the volunteers who support the shelter and donations of supplies and dollars from the community.

More volunteers are always appreciated, especially those who can commit to a regular schedule even just once or twice a week. Whether it’s cleaning kennels, doing administrative work, transporting animals to vet visits, walking dogs, or just spending time playing with the shelter’s lovable animals, every minute spent by a volunteer makes a difference. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old.

To learn more about ways to support the shelter as a volunteer or through donations, go to www.SierraVistaAZ.gov and search for “Animal Care and Control Help” or call the shelter at (520) 458-4151.

