Hosting new special events, winning ad buys from the Arizona Office of Tourism, and coordinating county-wide efforts has helped the City of Sierra Vista shift its tourism marketing into high gear in the last year.

Local residents may remember the launch of Sierra Vista’s Wine, Beer, and Spirits Festival and Sky Islands Summit Challenge last May. The wine festival attracted nearly 3,000 people, while 54 brave competitors climbed one, two, or three peaks at the first-ever summit challenge in the Huachuca Mountains.

This year, married under the new name “Sierra Vista Sips & Skies,” these events are poised to grow, attracting more visitors from other parts of Arizona and out of state. Rounding out the Memorial Day weekend, a Sunday brunch and a winery tour through Sonoita and Elgin will add to the Sips & Skies festivities. You can find the details on the back of this edition of Vistas.

“These exciting events position Sierra Vista as a central hub in the middle of Arizona’s two premier wine growing regions and help us showcase the extraordinary outdoor recreation available here,” says Judy Hector, marketing and public affairs manager for the City of Sierra Vista.

Sierra Vista’s outdoor assets were also showcased in the “That’s How We Roll” marketing campaign, which earned $117,302 worth of ads as the winner of the Arizona Office of Tourism Grand Pitch contest. The campaign invites cyclists and mountain bike riders to enjoy awesome riding available in Sierra Vista, while also spotlighting the community’s international cuisine.

Tourism efforts are on a roll.

Three ways to experience Sierra Vista.

1. Use our free bicycle maps to enjoy Sierra Vista’s 30-plus mile network of paved multi-use paths and many popular local mountain biking trails. Free pocket maps are available at the Visitor Center and the Sierra Vista Public Library. You can even borrow-a-bike at the library for free!

2. Plan your own adventure with our free Adventure Guide, which details attractions throughout Sierra Vista and surrounding area. Available at the Visitor Center, this guide is a comprehensive resource to explore the region.

3. Become a birder for a day! Pick up our free Birding Guide at the Visitor Center to learn about many of the local birding hot spots that draw visitors from around the world! Many rare species can be found right here in Sierra Vista.

The Sierra Vista Visitor Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and can be reached at (520) 417-6960. It’s located at 3020 E. Tacoma Street, inside the Oscar Yrun Community Center.
“How can I help?”

by Rick Mueller, Mayor

One of my favorite aspects of our community is the giving nature of its residents. So it’s no surprise that a question I often hear from constituents is “how can I help?”

Fortunately there is no shortage of opportunities for people looking to invest their time and energy to help make Sierra Vista a better place.

The City’s Adopt an Area program is one way residents can make a lasting commitment and a tangible difference. Individuals, groups, or organizations can choose to adopt public amenities like multi-use paths, parks, and streets. That adoption is a commitment to help keep this amenity free of trash and to work with the City to ensure it stays in great shape.

Residents who pitch in through the Adopt an Area program help build the sense of pride we feel living in a beautiful and safe community. This supports efforts conducted by the City to clean up local properties, facilitate redevelopment, and spruce up public lands. Improving aesthetics does more than build community pride; it supports initiatives tied to economic development and tourism.

Other volunteer opportunities with the City offer residents a chance to support key services, programs, or events in a variety of areas like the Nancy J. Brua Animal Care Center, the Henry F. Hauser Museum, the Sierra Vista Public Library, and the Sierra Vista Police Department. Each year, volunteers invest thousands of hours with the City and greatly enhance the services and programs we offer.

The City Council also relies on volunteers who serve on citizen commissions to offer advice in many specific areas of interest like cultural diversity, tourism, and disability issues, to name a few. There are vacant spots on several commissions, so please consider applying if you are interested in getting more involved in your local government.

Learning how to volunteer with the City and finding other volunteer opportunities throughout Sierra Vista has never been easier. Simply go to SierraVistaAZ.gov/I-want-to/ volunteer to see where you can best invest your time and energy to support our extraordinary community.

Fostering Redevelopment in the West End

by Chuck Potucek, City Manager

Imagine walking along the sidewalk of a main street lined with inviting storefronts, restaurants where you can hear the murmur of conversations on outdoor patios, and pieces of public art that catch the eye.

Now picture that the main street you’re walking on is actually Fry Boulevard and you’re spending a leisurely weekend in Sierra Vista’s revitalized historic West End. It’s a vision residents shared with us as a top priority when providing input on the City’s Vista 2030 General Plan. And it’s one that we’re carrying forward.

In March, the City Council approved the West Sierra Vista Redevelopment Plan, which launched a matching grant program that’s been in the works for more than a year. The West Sierra Vista Partnership Program enables the City to provide matching funds to commercial property owners or tenants seeking to improve their sites located within a designated 23-acre redevelopment area.

We’ve included only interested property owners and look forward to supporting projects that will improve the look, feel, and condition of our historic end of town.

Applications are available at City Hall and online at SierraVistaAZ.gov. They will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and the council has allocated $50,000 in support of the program in its first year, which ends June 30, 2018.

The goal is to improve the local economy by increasing the viability of businesses already operating in the district and making it more affordable for new businesses seeking to move in. Projects must make a positive impact on the local economy, improve aesthetics of the site, or provide another tangible public benefit. This program is part of a larger effort to revitalize the West End.

In a separate but complementary effort, the City partnered with the Sierra Vista Metropolitan Planning Organization to complete the West End Corridor Study, which lays out how the North Garden Avenue and west Fry Boulevard corridors can be narrowed and enhanced to facilitate a walkable, downtown environment.

We’re currently in the design phase and exactly what this project will ultimately look like and whether it moves forward as planned will be subject to the City’s ability to leverage resources and future direction provided by the City Council. But it’s important to understand this project is moving forward in coordination with the matching grant program and other efforts to carry out that broad vision shared by residents in Vista 2030.

If you would like to learn more about the matching grant program and how eligible property owners or tenants can apply, email Matt.McLachlan@SierraVistaAZ.gov.
City Considers Increase to Refuse Rates

The Sierra Vista City Council will consider a proposal to increase the City’s residential refuse rates by up to 15 percent to offset rising tipping fees and the loss of some large commercial and multifamily residential customers.

A 60-day public notice regarding the proposed increase was posted to the City’s website in March, after the City Council was briefed. Once the 60-day period has concluded, the City Council will decide whether to enact a rate increase of up to 15 percent, which would go into effect July 1. This would be an increase of up to $2.25 per month for a 65 gallon can or an increase of up to $2.57 per month for a 95 gallon can.

The City’s refuse service operates as an enterprise fund, meaning its operational costs are completely paid for by user fees. The user fees have been unchanged since they were lowered by about $1 following the implementation of the City’s curbside recycling program in 2012. This program successfully saved money on tipping fees, because Cochise County was able to accept recyclable materials at no cost to the City.

Due to declining demand for recyclables, Cochise County began charging tipping fees for recyclables on January 1, 2018. Tipping fees for trash have increased in recent years as well.

In addition, state laws allowing private competition for commercial and multifamily residential customers have resulted in a loss of high volume customers since 2015, making the City’s refuse system more expensive to operate. While the City’s rates are public, private haulers can negotiate with each customer.

To learn more, go to SierraVistaAZ.gov and search for “proposed refuse rate increase.”

AVOID THIRD PARTY FEES

Some City of Sierra Vista sewer and sanitation customers have reported mistakenly using third party online payment websites that can process bill payments but sometimes charge an additional transaction fee or service charge.

The City urges its customers to avoid any potential fees or delays by paying their sewer and sanitation bills directly via the City’s website, through the U.S. mail, or in person at City Hall. The City’s payment web page can be found at SierraVistaAZ.gov by highlighting the “I Want To” tab, placing the cursor on “Pay Online” in the drop down menu, and then clicking on “Trash & Sewer Service” in the hierarchical pop-over menu.

PUBLIC WORKS

Pedro Castro Maintenance Center
401 Giulio Cesare Avenue
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
(520) 458-5775

Customer Service Hours
MONDAY–FRIDAY …… 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
SATURDAY & SUNDAY …….. CLOSED
HOLIDAYS ……………………… CLOSED

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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Five Ways the City Can Help with Spring Cleaning

It’s official, warming temperatures and longer days are inviting homeowners to “spring” into action. It’s time to tackle the long-neglected garage, clear out the dead vegetation in the yard, and prepare the garden before it’s too late.

Fortunately, the City is here to help with the time-honored tradition of spring cleaning. Here’s how!

1. FREE DISPOSAL AT THE TRANSFER STATION

City residents can dispose of the following items at the Sierra Vista Transfer Station at no charge:

- Household paints
- Lead acid batteries
- Electronic waste (computers, televisions, and video gaming equipment)
- Motor oil and filters
- Household hazardous waste
- Tires (up to five per residence)

The Sierra Vista Transfer Station is located at 7201 E. Highway 90 and is open Monday through Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

2. FREE GREEN WASTE PICKUPS

Each Wednesday, the City offers free curbside green waste pickups for organic waste like yard trimmings, weeds, and dead branches. Pickups are available for City sanitation customers and must be scheduled by 5:00 p.m. the Monday prior online (SierraVistaAZ.gov/green-waste-pickup-request) or by calling (520) 458-7530.

In addition, any City resident can drop off green waste at no charge at the City’s Compost Facility. Located at 7201 E. Highway 90, the Compost Facility is open Monday through Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

3. COMPOST AND MULCH FOR SALE

The City takes all that yard waste and turns it into high-quality compost and mulch available for purchase for $15 per cubic yard for compost and $8 per cubic yard for mulch. Payments must be made in cash or check at the Compost Facility. Keeping these organic materials out of the landfill saves the City money and helps to keep rates stable for its customers, while also putting the materials to good use!

4. SPECIAL PICKUPS AVAILABLE

Need a bulky item or several boxes of refuse picked up? The City can do that too! Stop by the Pedro Castro Maintenance Center or call (520) 458-5775 and purchase a Special Pickup label for $14.40, which is good for one pickup. Special pick up items are limited to bulky items or items that are bagged or bundled (not to exceed 4 feet by 6 feet by 3 feet, or a 2.5 cubic yard load). The Pedro Castro Maintenance Center is located at 401 Giulio Cesare Avenue and is open from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

5. ADDITIONAL RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES

Are you looking for a safe, environmentally-friendly way to dispose of hazardous materials or other items not suitable for you blue or green bins? We’ve compiled a handy list summarizing where these materials can be recycled, whether it’s at a business or part of a government service. Find it at SierraVistaAZ.gov/other_recycling_opportunities.
Police Study Use of Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems

The Sierra Vista Police Department always strives to study and employ the latest technologies in law enforcement when they present an opportunity to improve services to our community. Currently, the department is studying how the use of small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) could enhance its capabilities to quickly and efficiently resolve a wide variety of calls for service.

Examples include locating elderly citizens suffering from dementia or children with special needs who may wander away from home. As a member of the statewide Arizona Child Abduction Response Team, the department could more quickly and efficiently search for and locate missing children through the use of sUAS.

This technology would also assist with capturing video footage of traffic collision scenes, which would help keep officers off the roadway and out of harm’s way. It could also assist in locating dangerous suspects attempting to evade capture and provide officers responding to potentially dangerous calls for service with additional information and situational awareness.

Whenever a sUAS is deployed, the department will respect the privacy rights of citizens and will strictly adhere to policies and practices designed to protect those rights. This is paramount as the department studies the use of this technology and consider how it will be deployed in the field.

While moving forward with this study, the department will pursue grants to reduce the cost incurred by the City. If your business or organization has a grant opportunity or information that could assist with minimizing the cost of acquiring sUAS equipment, please contact SVPD Lt. Anthony Venditto at (520) 452-7500 or Anthony.Venditto@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

Protect Your Home from Wildfires

As residents tackle spring cleaning at their homes, it’s a good opportunity to ensure they are also protected in the event of a nearby fire, particularly as we near the peak wildfire season before the summer monsoon rains begin.

There is no guarantee that a property will be safe but these tips from the National Fire Protection Association can help homeowners make their properties defensible if a fire breaks out nearby.

- Clear leaves and other debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks. This prevents embers from igniting your home.
- Remove dead vegetation and other items from under your deck or porch, and within 10 feet of the house.
- Screen or box-in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating.
- Remove flammable materials within 30 feet of your home’s foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds.
- Wildfires can spread to tree tops. Prune trees so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
- Don’t let organic debris or lawn cuttings linger. Dispose of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- Inspect shingles or roof tiles. Replace or repair those that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration.
- Enclose under-eave and soffit vents or screens with metal mesh to prevent ember entry.

To learn more, go to FireWise.org.
Area residents are invited to park their cars and enjoy a myriad of vendors and family-friendly activities along Fry Boulevard from N. Garden Avenue to North Avenue at the 13th annual West End Fair on Saturday, May 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

This annual street fair is organized by the West End Commission and highlights the historic end of Sierra Vista. It provides an opportunity to walk along the City’s main street, enjoy some shopping, listen to music, and sample tasty food.

This year, the commission welcomes the Sierra Vista Hispanic Chamber of Commerce to the West End Fair. The chamber will host performers from Sonoroa, Mexico, in celebration of Cinco de Mayo.

Two fan favorites will return again this year. The High Desert Chili Pod will once again hold a delicious chili cook-off. Plus the Cochise Mustang Club will showcase a variety of classic American-made cars and trucks along Fab Avenue.

There is still time to sign up as a vendor, entertainer, or sponsor. Vendor application forms are available at SierraVistaAZ.gov by searching for “West End Fair vendors.” For more information or assistance, email SVWestEndFairs@gmail.com.

Spring is for the Birds

Each spring, migration season brings millions of birds through the Sierra Vista area as they follow the San Pedro River north, so it’s no surprise that the birders begin to flock here as well.

Many arrive for the Spring Fling Festival, hosted by Southwest Wings on Wednesday, May 2, through Saturday, May 5. Offering a wide variety of half-day, full-day, and overnight field trips led by expert guides, this festival also offers locals an opportunity to see the extraordinary avian diversity hidden in their own back yard.

Trips head into the Huachusca Mountains, meander along the San Pedro River, and venture out into other regional birding hot spots. Registration is available online and field trips range in cost from $45 for half-days to $250 for over-nighters.

Southwest Wings also hosts its main festival on Wednesday, August 1, through Saturday, August 4. Then, the nonprofit hosts a variety of free programs and exhibits at the Sierra Vista campus of Cochise College, in addition to paid field trips.

Learn more at SWWings.org.
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 give your menu choice at that time. If you would like to sit with friends, please provide their names.
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 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.

MANDA LÉ BAR & GRILL
DATE Thursday, April 12
ADDRESS 2455 Canyon de Flores
The menu choices are: 1) roast beef with mashed potatoes and vegetables, 2) turkey with mashed potatoes and vegetables, or 3) grilled salmon with rice pilaf and vegetables. All entrées are served with a side salad and non-alcoholic beverage. Tax and gratuity are included in the cost of $14 per person. Registration closes April 6.

NATIVE GRILL & WINGS
DATE Thursday, May 10
ADDRESS 3950 Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy
Choose from 1) chicken tenders and fries or 2) fish and chips, or 3) turkey sandwich with fries. All entrées are served with a side salad, non-alcoholic beverage (choice of iced tea or coffee) and dessert. Tax and gratuity are included in the cost of $14 per person. Registration begins April 13, and closes May 4.

For more information, call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.

SIERRA VISTA COMMUNITY CHORUS presents
A Salute to an American Treasure—Irving Berlin
DATE | TIME Saturday, May 12 | 7:00 PM
LOCATION Buena Performing Arts Center
ADMISSION $10 (in advance)
$11 (at the door)

The Sierra Vista Community Chorus, under the direction of Sharon Keene, invites you to spend an enchanted evening listening to the wonderful music of Irving Berlin. Come for your favorite songs such as, “There’s No Business Like Show Business,” “Blue Skies,” “Puttin’ on the Ritz,” “Steppin’ Out with My Baby,” and some you may never have heard of such as “He’s a Devil in His Own Home Town.” The Rhythmix, under the direction of Jill Brown from Buena Desert High School Choir will be the guest performers. One of their numbers will be Berlin’s “Let’s Face the Music and Dance”. The Chorus is proud to share the program with these extraordinary students!
Tickets go on sale Monday, April 9, at the Oscar Yrun Community Center, Sierra Vista Safeway, and from chorus members. Children ages 12 and under are welcome and admitted free when accompanied by an adult. This is happening the day before Mother’s Day, so bring your mom and grandma. It will be a wonderful evening!

Spring Thursday Night Concert Series
Join us Thursdays in May from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Veterans Memorial Park at the Centennial Pavilion for musical treats as we present our spring concert series. All concerts are free and open to the public. For more information, call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.

SIERRA VISTA COMMUNITY BAND
Thursday, May 10
The Sierra Vista Community Band is the only concert band in Cochise County that rehearses and performs year-round. Members range from age 17 to 70.

BILL CASSIDY
Thursday, May 17
Come and enjoy Bill Cassidy and his music. Bill is a very versatile musician. He plays country and folk music, Irish and Celtic, and much more. These concerts are very popular, so come early and get a good spot.

DESSERT SWING BAND
Thursday, May 24
Desert Swing had been providing big band music to the Sierra Vista community since 1985 with its 18-piece orchestra playing a variety of songs. They range from the old standard swing songs such as “In the Mood” to more contemporary charts. Desert Swing musicians include Air Force and Army retirees, DOD employees at Fort Huachuca, and both current and retired music teachers. Musicians are from the Sierra Vista area and as far away as Elfrida and Douglas.

FORGED BY FIRE
Thursday, May 31
Formed from the chaos of the 2011 Monument Fire in Hereford, Arizona, Forged by Fire plays an eclectic variety of mostly original music from bluegrass, blues, rock, and folk, influenced by the diverse backgrounds of its members.

Movies in the Park
Sponsored by Cox Communications and Cerendipitees

THE LEGO® BATMAN MOVIE (2017) [PG]
Saturday, May 19
In the irreverent spirit of fun that made The LEGO® Movie a worldwide phenomenon, the self described leading man of that ensemble, LEGO® Batman, stars in his own big screen adventure. 104 minutes.

COCO (YEAR) [PG]
Saturday, June 2
Aspiring musician Miguel, confronted with his family’s ancestral ban on music, enters the Land of the Dead to find his great-great-grandfather, a legendary singer. 105 minutes.

JUMANJI: WELCOME TO THE JUNGLE (2017) [PG]
Saturday, June 23
Four teenagers are sucked into a magical video game, and the only way they can escape is to work together to finish the game. 119 minutes.

SPIDER-MAN: HOMECOMING (2017) [PG-13]
Saturday, June 30
Peter Parker balances his life as an ordinary high school student in Queens with his superhero alter-ego Spider-Man, and finds himself on the trail of a new menace prowling the skies of New York City. 133 minutes.

NOTE Titles are subject to change without notice.
The schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather. For more information, see the City’s website, Facebook page, or call Laura Killberg at (520) 439-2310.
Good Cookin’ Potlucks

DATES: Friday, April 13
Friday, May 11

TIME: NOON

LOCATION: Ethel H. Berger Center

FEE: A dish for 6 people

Join our staff and share good food, good conversation, and 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.

Arts & Crafts

CRAG LADIES

If you want to get inspired to pick an unfinished project back up and get 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 (EBC).

ADVANCED PAPER CRAFTS & SCRAPBOOKING

Join some of the ladies from the Friday craft group doing advanced paper crafts and scrapbooking. Meet at the EBC each Wednesday at 10:00 p.m. No need to register, just drop by.

THUNDER MOUNTAIN WOODCARVERS

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

Health Matters

HOW TO BE A VA OR A HOSPICE VOLUNTEER

DATE: Tuesday, April 3
TIME: 10:00 AM

LOCATION: Ethel H. Berger Center

Learn about what Veterans Affairs and hospice volunteers do and if these local service opportunities are for you. Join Catherine Starr, Volunteer Service Specialist, and Volunteer Caregiver Support Coordinator Shanda Leffelman as they discuss what VA and hospice volunteering is all about. For more information, please contact Shanda Leffelman at (520) 249-7649.

WHAT ABOUT MEDICARE IN 2018?

DATE: Wednesday, April 11
TIME: 9:30 AM – NOON

LOCATION: Ethel H. Berger Center

Join Ramona MacMurtrie as she explains the basics of Medicare, shares recent updates, and answers any questions. This program has been funded in part by grants from the Administration on Aging and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

DATE: Wednesdays, April 25 & May 23
TIME: 4:00 PM

LOCATION: Ethel H. Berger Center

Stroke survivors, recently diagnosed patients, family, friends, and caregivers are encouraged to join Amy from Canyon Vista Medical Center and help support this much needed program.

THE IMPORTANCE OF MEDICATION MANAGEMENT

DATE: Wednesday, April 25
TIME: 9:30 AM

LOCATION: Ethel H. Berger Center

Legacy Home Healthcare will be discussing why proper medication management is so important and the benefits of knowing what medication you are taking and the effects it has on your health.

NEW MEDITERRANEAN STYLE COMES TO YOU!

DATES: May 9, 16, 23 & 30
DAY: Wednesday, 1:00 PM

LOCATION: Ethel H. Berger Center

FEE: Free (registration required)

Join Cynthia from the University Of Arizona Cooperative Extension, Cochise County as she presents a four week class about designing your own healthy lifestyle, based on Mediterranean foods. Each class offers food demonstrations or hands-on food preparation with recipes provided, class lessons on the Mediterranean Lifestyle, useful cooking tips, tasting different types of Mediterranean foods, i.e., olive oil, cheeses, vegetables and seasonings, and discussions among class participants to share ideas. This is a free program but registration is required. The registration deadline is May 4. Class size is limited.

For more information on Health Matters programs, please call Parmalee Mitchell at (520) 439-2300.
The Henry F. Hauser Museum is located inside the Ethel H. Berger Center at 2950 E. Tacoma Street.

**MUSEUM AND GIFT SHOP HOURS**

Stop by during our new, expanded hours!

Now open on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and until 7:00 p.m. every Wednesday.

**NOTE** The museum and gift shop will not open until noon on Saturday, April 7, due to the Firebolt Youth Triathlon.

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**NOTE** There are extended Saturday hours for special events — see the museum’s web page for details.

**Historic Treasure Hunt Exhibit**

**EXTRAORDINARY PEOPLE, PLACES, AND PASTIMES.**

It’s a scavenger hunt for children of all ages!

**Pop Quiz**

- True or false: Sierra Vista had the first McDonald’s drive-through window in the world.
- One hundred years ago, Chili’s Restaurant was the site for A) a railroad stop, B) a saloon, C) a school, or D) all of the above.
- During Prohibition, bootlegging occurred at what well know landmark in Sierra Vista?

Discover the answers to these and other questions within our current exhibit based on the Sierra Vista Historical Society’s Historic Plaque Program. Visit the Museum, pick up a plaque sites booklet and map, or Geocache the sites—and your journey begins!

**Spring Quilt Documentation Event**

**DATE** Saturday, April 21

**TIME** 9:30 AM – NOON

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

**HOSTED BY** Henry F. Hauser Museum
**BROUGHT BY** Sierra Vista Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild

Would you like your quilt to be part of the National Quilt Index? The Quilt Index aims to be a central resource incorporating a wide variety of sources and information on quilts, quilt makers and quilt making. The website features images and information on thousands of quilts from documentation projects, museums, libraries, and private collections in the United States and internationally.

Our local quilt guild has been expertly trained and looks forward to adding your quilt to the growing number of documented quilts. The only criterion is that the quilt must currently reside in Arizona. Both vintage and new quilts are welcome.

**Documentation is by appointment only.** Please contact Jane Bourne at (520) 508-4558 to schedule your appointment.

**Save the Dates!**

**KID’S SUMMER SATURDAYS @ THE MUSEUM**

**DATES** June 9, 16, 23 & 30

**DAY | TIME** Saturday, 10:30 AM – NOON

Children ages 5 through 12 are encouraged to bring their parents, grandparents, guardians, and/or babysitters! Please arrive 10 minutes prior to the start of each program, as our awesome presentations begin promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Kindly let us know if you’re coming so we can make sure we have enough supplies. Please call (520) 439-2306 or email Nancy.Krieski@SierraVistaAZ.gov to register.

Program funding and snacks provided by the Sierra Vista Historical Society.
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 and let us know which item(s) you like best by using the email link on the website!

Awesome Objects!

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

DATE Monday, April 16

RETRO KITCHEN GADGETS

DATE Monday, May 21

TIME 1:00–2:00 PM
LOCATION Sierra Vista Public Library
Public Meeting Room

Join Museum Curator, Nancy Krieski, for a hands-on participatory 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, an object from the museum’s collection will serve as the inspiration for storytelling, shared experiences, a little local history, and fun!

Awesome Objects! meets monthly on the third Monday. For details, email Nancy.Krieski@SierraVistaAZ.gov or call (520) 439-2306.

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!

What is It?

Birds of Southern Arizona

DATE Tuesday, April 3
TIME 1:00 PM
LOCATION Sierra Vista Public Library
Public Meeting Room

People come to southern Arizona from all over the world to observe the rich bird life found here. Birds such as the Montezuma Quail, Elf Owl, Elegant Trogon, Red-faced Warbler, and many more attract birders to the Huachuca Mountains and other parts of southeastern Arizona. Join Jeff Babson in exploring the birds and places that make our area so extraordinary.

Life and Times of Nellie Cashman

DATE Tuesday, May 1
TIME 1:00 PM
LOCATION Ethel H. Berger Center
Main Room

Nellie was born in Midleton County, Cork Ireland, September 1845, into a poor Irish Catholic family in the midst of the Irish Potato Famine. The eldest of two sisters, Nellie, her mother, and younger sister immigrated to America after her father’s death around 1850. Explore the unique and interesting life of this amazing pioneer woman with Tombstone archivist, Nancy Sosa.

Amazing Arizona 2017–2018 Season
EXTRAORDINARY QUILTS. UNCOMMON BORDER STORIES.

In 2015, our local Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild partnered with the Henry F. Hauser Museum in creating small wall quilts depicting the nature, culture, and history of life along the border for donation to the museum’s permanent collection and for use in creating a local border stories traveling exhibit, and served as the inspiration for our 2017–2018 season. We are delighted to present this “amazing” array of beautiful quilts and top notch speakers!

Amazing Arizona, hosted by the Henry F. Hauser Museum and the Sierra Vista Public Library, is a series of educational 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 (2950 E. Tacoma Street) or the Sierra Vista Public Library (2600 E. Tacoma Street) and discover “Amazing Arizona!”

All presentations are free and open to the public. For additional information, please contact Nancy Krieski, Museum Curator, at Nancy.Krieski@SierraVistaAZ.gov or (520) 439-2306. These programs are made possible through Speakers Bureau grants from Arizona Humanities, with funding provided by the Sierra Vista Historical Society, Friends of the Sierra Vista Library, and the Henry F. Hauser Museum.

Quilt titled “Dusk in Hereford” created by Diane Hughes-Williams.

Quilt titled “Nellie Cashman” created by Jill Holsonback.

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!

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 and let us know which item(s) you like best by using the email link on the website!

“Henry” the Inquisitive Packrat

INVITES YOU TO BECOME A JUNIOR HISTORY DETECTIVE!

Put on your detective cap and grab your 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 grade. Home school students and out-of-town visitors are welcome! For more information, call (520) 439-2306.
**VISTAS**

**www.SierraVistaAZ.gov**

**APRIL – MAY 2021**

**SUNDAY**

1. **Easter All Day**
   
2. **M-Th Trash Pickup**

**MONDAY**

3. **1/F Trash Pickup**

**TUESDAY**

4. **Special Pickup**

**WEDNESDAY**

5. **M-Th Recycle Pickup**

**THURSDAY**

6. **1/F Recycle Pickup**

**FRIDAY**

7. **Library and museum open at noon**

**SATURDAY**

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**APP** = Arizona Folklore Pressure

BRAC = Buckeye Performing Arts Center

BHS = Basha High School

CCH = Cochise College Sierra Vista Campus

CISD = City Hall, Council Chambers

COE = The Cove

DPC = Deming-Pinos Sports Complex

EBC = Ethel H. Berger Center

ESPN = Environmental Operations Park

FHT = Fairbank Historic Townsite

FMES = Huachuca Mountain Elementary School

KTC = King’s Court Tennis Club

MCS = Murray Springs Oval Site

PGCF = Presidio Santa Cruz de Terán

RESC = Ruther Educational Services Center

RSP = Ramsey Canyon Preserve

SIS = Sky Island Summit Challenge

SPH = Sun Pedra House

SVPL = Sierra Vista Public Library

SVGC = Sierra Vista Gourmet Club

WHS = Winstedmore Hotel & Convention Center
1 1/2 Trash Pickup
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For information & hiking schedules, go to www.sierravistasports.org.
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 5, a warm water pool to relax in, and two large water slides. For more information, stop by or call (520) 417-4800.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Open Swim
Saturday .................. NOON – 5:30 PM
Sunday ....................... CLOSED

Summer Open Swim
(begins May 29)
Tue – Sun ............... NOON – 5:30 PM
Monday ..................... CLOSED

Lap Swim
Mon – Fri ................. 5:30 – 8:00 AM
Mon – Fri ................. 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Mon – Thu ................. 6:00 – 7:30 PM
Saturday ................ 9:30 – 11:30 AM
Sunday .................... CLOSED

Summer Lap Swim
(begins May 29)
Tue – Fri ................. 5:30 – 8:00 AM
Tue – Thu ................ NOON – 1:00 PM
Friday ...................... 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Mon – Thu ................. 6:00 – 7:30 PM
Sat & Sun ................ 9:30 – 11:30 AM

Splash Time
Splash Time is for children 5 years and younger. Child must be accompanied in the water by an adult (18+ years).
Mon – Fri ................ 10:00 AM – NOON
Saturday ................ 9:30 – 11:30 AM
Sunday ..................... CLOSED

Summer Splash Time
(begins May 29)
Friday ..................... 10:00 AM – NOON
Sat & Sun ................ 9:30 – 11:30 AM

HOLIDAYS & CLOSURES

Festival of the Southwest
Saturday, May 5 .................. CLOSED

SVUSD Field Trips
May 14 - 24 .... NO AFTERNOON LAP SWIM

Sierra Vista Sips & Sips
Saturday, May 26 ................. CLOSED

Memorial Day (Open Swim only)
Monday, May 28 .......... NOON – 5:30 PM

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

Per Child with Adult ........ $3

Extra Adult ........................ 50¢

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| 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. Please call for class date and time details.

NOTE There will be no Water Workout classes from May 11 through July 31. Classes will resume on August 3.

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

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

PILATES H_2O
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.

SWIMMING POOLS

- Lap Pool
- Beach

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

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

WATER WORKOUT
CLASS FEES

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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.

AQUA ZUMBA

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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.

PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS

Private swim lessons 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.

Summer Youth Swim Lessons

Registration for Summer Youth Swim Lessons (Sessions A, B, & E) and the Summer Swim Team will open Thursday, May 10. Registrations will be accepted at The Cove starting at 7:30 a.m. and at the Oscar Yrun Community Center starting at 8:00 a.m. Some levels have the option of registering online starting at noon.

Summer Customer Service Hours

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**Tennis Anyone?**

Learn a "lifetime sport" and meet new friends. Registration for youth tennis lessons is open and being taken at the Oscar Yrun Community Center and The Cove. Class size is limited to a minimum of four and a maximum of 10 students.

**Spring Adult Softball**

**MEN’S SOFTBALL LEAGUE**

**BEGIN** Monday, April 2

**GAMES** Monday, Wednesday & Friday

**TIMES** 6:30, 7:30 & 8:30 PM

**ENTRY FEE** $400 per team

**LOCATION** Domingo Paiz Softball Complex

**MIXED SOFTBALL LEAGUE**

**BEGIN** Tuesday, April 3

**GAMES** Tuesday & Thursday

**TIMES** 6:30, 7:30 & 8:30 PM

**ENTRY FEE** $425 per team

**LOCATION** Domingo Paiz Softball Complex

For more information, please call (520) 439-2302.

**Summer Adult Basketball League**

**STARRS** Friday, May 4 or May 11

**TIME** 6:00 – 9:00 PM

**LOCATION** Rothery Educational Service Center

**FEE** $400 per team

Leisure and Library Services is bringing back the Sierra Vista Adult Basketball League. Come play on Friday nights at the Rothery Educational Service Center. There is a cap of eight teams in this summer league that includes eight games with a single elimination tournament — trophy to the first-place team. For more information, please email Sports@SierraVistaAZ.gov.

**Firebolt Youth Triathlon**

**DATE** Saturday, April 7

**TIME** 9:00 AM

**LOCATION** The Cove

**INDIVIDUAL FEES** $45 (through April 1)

**RELAY FEES** $22 (through April 1)

**REGISTRATION** Online at TriSignUp.com/Race/AZ/

SierraVista/Firebolt

**DISCOUNT** Use coupon code “boltsv” when registering for $5 off the registration fee

Bolt Multisport, in partnership with the City of Sierra Vista, presents an exciting activity for youth ages 5 through 17. If you like to bike, run, or swim, this is the event for you. Challenge yourself, or grab a team and join in on the action! This event benefits the Tsunami Swin team, Kawasaki Disease Foundation, and the Buena Mountain Bike Club. For more information, please call Brandon at (520) 249-1599 or visit RunSignUp.com and search for “Firebolt Youth Triathlon.”

**YOUTH TENNIS CAMP**

**SESSION I** June 4 – 28

**SESSION II** July 2 – 30 (no camp on July 4th)

**DAYS** Monday - Thursday

**BEGINNER (ages 6-10)** 8:00 – 9:00 AM

**BEGINNER (ages 11-17)** 9:00 – 10:00 AM

**ADV BEG | INTER (ages 6-17)** 10:00 – 11:00 AM

**LOCATION** King’s Court Tennis Club

**FEE** $75 per person (per session)

**NOTE** There will be no lessons on Memorial Day, Monday, May 28, and Independence Day, Wednesday, July 4.

**START SMART SPORTS CAMP**

For Boys and Girls Ages 3 – 5

**DATES** Saturdays, June 2 – July 7

**TIME** 8:00 – 9:00 AM

**LOCATION** Rothery Educational Service Center Gymnasium

**FEE** $50 per child (includes camp T-shirt)

This fun camp offers participants the opportunity to develop essential motor skills and help prepare them with tools they need for fun and successful experiences in an organized program. The program builds confidence and self-esteem during developmental years, when children need it most. Parents are encouraged to get involved in all features of the camp. Featured sports include softball/baseball, basketball, and soccer. Registration begins May 1 at all Leisure Services facilities.

**MORE SUMMER SPORTS**

Additional summer programs are still being finalized. Be on the lookout for our summer camps and clinics in the June VISTAS and on our website, SierraVistaAZ.gov. Camps will include sports such as football, track & field, soccer, and several others. Call (520) 458-7922 for more information.
Kid’s Wonderful Opportunities in Recreation and 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 Dr.
- 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 HOURS**
Before school ................. 6:40 – 7:50 AM
After school ................... 2:15 – 5:45 PM

**SCHEDULE OPTIONS & FEES**
Weekly, Monday – Friday

Before school only ............. $22
After school only ............... $44
Both before & after school* .... $55

*includes a healthy afternoon snack

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, and the Oscar Yrun Community Center. 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 100 p.m. the first day of attendance that week.

**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**
The Kid’s W.O.R.L.D. Before & After School Recreation 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.

Summer Break Recreation Program
For children enrolled in first through seventh grades (fall 2018)

**MONDAY–FRIDAY, MAY 30–JULY 20 | 6:40 AM – 5:45 PM**

**BELLA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**
801 N. Lenzner Avenue (in the cafeteria)

**HUACHUCA MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**
3228 St. Andrews Drive (in the cafeteria)

**$85 PER CHILD (per week)**
Plus a $10 registration fee

Open to children entering grades first through seventh in the fall of 2018 (grade verification may be required). The fee includes a healthy snack, activities, and field trips. There is a one-time $10 registration fee. Scholarships are available to those who qualify. Scholarship application deadline is May 9. Enroll early! Open enrollment begins May 1 on a space available basis.

**NOTES**
There will be no on-site registration! Please register at the Oscar Yrun Community Center or The Cove. There will be no program on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Leisure & Library Services
Oscar Yrun Community Center
3020 East Tacoma Street
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635
(520) 458-7922

Customer Service Hours
MONDAY–FRIDAY .......................... 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
SATURDAY & SUNDAY ................. CLOSED
HOLIDAYS ................................... CLOSED

Teen programs take place at the Sierra Vista Public Library and are recommended for ages 12 through 18, unless otherwise indicated. For more information on teen events, contact Library Manager Emily Scherrer at (520) 458-4225.

**THE VAULT**
**DATES**
Wednesdays, April 11 & May 9
Time: 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Come hang out with the youth services staff in the library’s teen room! Play videogames and relax after school.

**TEEN MOBILE MAKERSPACE**
**DATES**
Thursdays, April 26 & May 31
Time: 4:00 – 6:00 PM

At these drop-in events, teens get to use the library’s makerspace equipment while supervised by staff.

**KEEPING IT REEL HORROR MOVIE CLUB**
**DATES**
Thursdays, April 12 & May 10
Time: 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Watch teen-approved horror films spanning from vintage classics to modern fun and talk about what makes them scary. April’s film will be Jaws (1975) <PG>. May’s movie will be Night of the Living Dead (1968, not rated).

**TEEN ANIME CLUB**
**DATES**
Thursdays, April 26 & May 31
Time: 4:30 – 6:00 PM

Participants vote on what they want to watch next, and eat fun Asian snacks (as long as supplies last).

**LIBRARY AFTER DARK**

Smash Bros Fun Tournament
**DATE**
Time: Friday, April 13 | 5:00 PM

Battle against other teens to see who reigns supreme in this fun tournament for teens on the Wii-U. Light snacks will be provided while supplies last. The tournament will continue until a winner is declared. Registration is required. Call (520) 458-4225 to sign up!

Dragon Ball FighterZ Tournament
**DATE**
Time: Saturday, May 19 | 6:00 PM

Using the new Dragon Ball FighterZ game on PS4, battle against other teens in this fun tournament. Light snacks will be provided while supplies last. The tournament will last until a winner is declared. Registration is required. Call (520) 458-4225 to sign up!
“What’s Up with That?!”

This series features responses to some of your questions and comments received at the Sierra Vista Public Library.

The question: Is Facebook all there is on the Internet?

The response: Not at all! We still use Facebook, too, but on occasion we like to see what the rest of the World Wide Web has to offer. And it’s a lot! Here are a few of the staff’s favorite places to browse:

AZMEMORY.AZLIBRARY.GOV

The Arizona Memory Project. This is a terrific place to spend a quiet afternoon drifting through Arizona’s glorious past. The website has digital archives of maps, newspapers, photographs, oral histories, and a lot of cultural and history collections.

GOODREADS.COM

Love books? Love social media? Then you’ll love goodreads where you’ll “meet your next favorite book.” And maybe some new friends, too!

EARTHCAM.COM

Want to watch falcon babies grow up in Nebraska? Or watch an active volcano in Alaska? Or maybe watching bears in Romania is more your style? Whatever you want, there’s a live cam for it at EarthCam, “where the world watches the world.”

SUPERCOOK.COM/#/RECIPES

SuperCook is like a reverse cookbook! Instead of buying ingredients to fit a recipe, you list the ingredients you already have and get recipe suggestions! How cool is that?

TODAYIFOUNDOUT.COM

Did you hear about that time Annie Oakley offered to put together an all-female sniper team? You can learn all about that and hundreds of other interesting things at Today I Found Out.

EARTH.GOOGLE.COM

Want to take a stroll through streets of Venice? Maybe have a quiet afternoon drifting through Arizona’s glorious past. The website has digital archives of maps, newspapers, photographs, oral histories, and a lot of cultural and history collections.

HOWSTUFFWORKS.COM

Admit it, you’ve always wanted to know how gear ratios work, haven’t you? You’ll find the answer at this website. You’ll learn things you didn’t even know you wanted—or needed—to learn!

MENTALFLOSS.COM

Want to feel really smart in two minutes or less? This website is full of quizzes, trivia, “amazing” facts, and articles that are guaranteed to make you smart. Okay, maybe not, but you will have fun!

LOC.GOV

The Library of Congress. It’s not just a library, it’s the library! There you will find hundreds of digitized collections to browse, historic newspapers, maps, and more. It’s like a museum in your living room!

AMAZING ARIZONA

Birds of Southern Arizona

DATE | TIME Tuesday, April 3 | 1:00 PM
LOCATION Meeting Room

People come to Southern Arizona from all over the world to observe the rich bird life. Join Jeff Babson in an exploration of the birds and places which make our area so extraordinary.

Life and Times of Nellie Cashman

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

Explore the unique and interesting life of this amazing pioneer woman with Tombstone archivist, Nancy Sosa.

AN HOUR TO KILL: MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

DATES Fridays, April 6 & May 4
TIME 1:00 PM
LOCATION Meeting Room

In April we’ll be discussing Reconstructing Amelia by Kimberly McCreight. What She Knew by Gill MacMillan is on deck for May. The library supplies a limited quantity of each book at the front desk.

SIERRA VISTA COMMUNITY GARDENS

DATE Saturday, May 5
TIME 10:30 AM
LOCATION Meeting Room

The Sierra Vista Community Gardens will host a talk on an aspect of gardening in our region. Previous topics have covered such things as: tomato plants, winter gardening, composting, and more. So drop by to see what you might be able to learn from them.
Learning at the Library

**COMPUTING MADE EASY**
These computer classes cover basic keyboard and mouse instruction, Microsoft Word, email, file management, basic home computer care, and more. These 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 (520) 458-4225 or stop by the circulation desk to register.

**DIGITAL LIBRARIAN**
**DATEs** Thursdays, April 5 & 19  
**TIME** 10:00 AM – NOON  
**DATE** Monday, April 9  
**TIME** Tuesday, April 24  
**TIME** 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM  
**LOCATION** Reference Desk
Need help downloading ebooks or audiobooks, using your tablet, finding business, government, or other information, or navigating the library’s databases? We are here to help you. Call the library for May dates.

**MOBILE MAKERSPACE: CODING CLUB**
**DATEs** Saturdays, April 7 & 21  
**DATEs** Saturdays, May 5 & 19  
**TIME** 2:30 – 3:30 PM  
**LOCATION** Main Library
Kids learn to code with fun software and games. Every Coding Club brings new learning goals! Recommended for ages 8 and older.

**NEW INSTALLATION FESTIVAL**
**DATE** Saturday, April 28  
**TIME** 10:00 AM – 3:30 PM  
**LOCATION** Meeting Room
Tired of paying for your computer operating system, having viruses and mal-ware infect your system, and experiencing system crashes? You may be interested in installing a Linux operating system. Bring your computer and everything needed to run it to this Installation Festival with Cochise Linux Group. Be sure to back up all your data first!

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**NEW AFTER HOURS LASER TAG FOR ADULTS**
**DATE** Friday, April 20  
**TIME** 6:00 – 7:30 PM  
**LOCATION** Main Library
Join us as we sneak through the stacks, hide behind chairs, and avoid the enemy, all while trying to tag as many people as you can. How have we not already done this?! Space is limited and registration required. Call (520) 458-4225 to sign up!

**MOBILE MAKERSPACE: TEXTILE ARTS**
**DATE** Saturday, April 14  
**DATE** Sunday, May 12  
**TIME** 1:30 – 3:00 PM  
**LOCATION** Main Library
Using our sewing and knitting equipment from our Mobile Makerspace, we will lead textile art workshops. In April we’ll make aprons using sewing machines, and in May we’ll create basic stuffed animals. This event is recommended for youth ages 10 and older. Space is limited. Please call (520) 458-4225 to register!

**NEW PUZZLE EXCHANGE**
**DATEs** Friday, April 13  
**DATE** Friday, May 11  
**TIME** 3:30 – 5:30 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.

**BABY TIME**
**DAY** | **TIME** Tuesdays, 10:20 – 10:50 AM  
**DATE** This program is recommended for children birth to 18 months. Babies will enjoy songs, movement activities, rhymes, board books, and playtime. Adult participation is encouraged.

**FUN AT THE LIBRARY**
**Casual Friday, Magic: The Gathering**
**DATEs** Fridays, April 6 & 20  
**DATEs** Fridays, May 4 & 18  
**TIME** 3:30 – 5:30 PM  
**LOCATION** Main Library
Come play Magic: The Gathering at the library using either our premade decks or one of your own, at this casual gaming event. All young adults are welcome to attend, recommended for ages 13 and older.

**Family Movie Night**
**DATE** Thursday, April 5  
**DATE** Thursday, May 3  
**TIME** 4:00 PM  
**LOCATION** Main Library
Family Movie Nights are on the first Thursday of the month. Join us at 4:00 p.m. for a family-friendly movie and free popcorn!

**NEW TODDLER STORYTIME**
**DATE** Wed, 10:20 – 11:00 AM  
**DATE** This program is recommended for children 3 to 5 years of age. Children listen to short stories and music, and we offer playtime at the end. Adult participation is encouraged.

**Preschool Storytime**
**DAY** | **TIME** Wed, 10:20 – 11:00 AM  
**DATE** This program is recommended for children 18 months to 3 years of age! For more information, call (520) 458-4225.

**Summer Reading Kickoff**
**DATE** Saturday, May 19  
**TIME** 10:00 AM – NOON  
**LOCATION** Main Library
It’s a “rockin’ summer” at the Sierra Vista Public Library, complete with summer reading clubs for all ages! For more information, call (520) 458-4225.

**Summer at the Library**
**DATE** Saturday, May 19, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Follow the Sierra Vista Public Library Facebook page for the latest news on summer events.
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.

THE POTTERY STUDIO @ SIERRA VISTA
OPEN LAB
your pottery skills through self-firings are available on occasion for $12 per 25 lb. bag of clay Saturdays, Fridays, 10:00
Studio volunteers
details. Please note, Open Lab is not directed work during open lab
own tools. Each Punch Pass is good
for half an hour after each class.

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.

BEGINNING CLAY SCULPTING
In this class, you will learn how to use clay to sculpt three dimensional art forms. No experience is required.

BALLROOM DANCING
This class is for both beginners and those with some dance experience. Bring your partner and a desire to look great and have fun while dancing the night away. No sneakers please.

INTRODUCTION TO BELLY DANCE BASICS
This dance form is a fun, non-impact exercise that invigorates and promotes the body's health and the mind's outlook.

GLASSWARE CLASSES
Furnace Glass - Wednesdays, 10:00-1:00 pm
Open Lab - Saturdays, 10:00-3:00 pm
Studio Volunteers - Thursdays, 10:00-2:00 pm

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. Each 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 instruction class.

GARDEN FAYRE
Bonsai - Tuesdays, 10:00-1:00 pm
Garden - Wednesdays, 10:00-1:00 pm
Gardening - Thursdays, 10:00-1:00 pm

THE RICKETY ROCKETTES
Who are the Rickety Rockettes?
The Rickety Rockettes are a group of active adults (50+) committed to displaying the benefits of dance and performance. The Rockettes teach audiences and other adults about the benefits of staying active and healthy, no matter your age. The group performs a variety of tap and jazz numbers for community organizations, care centers, churches, fairs, and festivals. They also perform for special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, dinners, and retirement parties. They display their talents locally and travel to events throughout Cochise County and Tucson. The instructor of the group is Benjamin Caron. If you would like to join this fun dance group, or if you would like a performance at your next event, please call Benjamin at (520) 458-7922.
GENTLE VINYASA FLOW YOGA FOR STRESS RELIEF

Let go of stress and experience a serene space where you can rejuvenate your mind, body, and soul. This slow flowing yoga class is perfect for the Vinyasa Flow beginner or to bring a peaceful balance to an active lifestyle.

**CODE** 401219-C  
**DATES** April 17 – May 8

**DAY** | TIME Wednesday, 6:45 – 7:45 PM  
**LOCATION** Ethel H. Berger Center  
**INSTRUCTOR** Jerry Busha  
**FEE** $35 per person  

**NOTE** Please bring your own yoga mat.

ADVANCED ACHERY

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.

**CODE** 401332-C  
**DATES** April 21 – May 26  
**DAY** | TIME Saturday, 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
**LOCATION** Brown Field  
**INSTRUCTOR** Master Coach Jerry Busha  
**FEE** $55 per person  

**NOTE** Please bring your own yoga mat.

BASIC CANINE EDUCATION

Do you and your best friend need help? Look no further for the answer! Instructor Rocky Boatman is well known in the “canine community” both locally and nationally.

**CODE** 301304  
**DATES** April 17 – May 22  
**CODE** 501304  
**DATES** May 17 – June 21  
**DAY** | TIME Tuesday, 6:15 – 7:15 PM  
**LOCATION** Brown Field  
**INSTRUCTOR** Rocky Boatman  
**FEE** $70 per dog (per session)

**NOTE** Class end dates may vary due to weather.

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.

**CODE** 401332-A  
**DATES** April 21 – May 26  
**DAY** | TIME Saturday, 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
**LOCATION** Brown Field  
**INSTRUCTOR** Master Coach Jerry Busha  
**FEE** $35 per person  

**NOTE** Class end dates may vary due to weather.

WRITING YOUR LIFE STORY

Are you writing your life story for yourself, your family, or for publication? If you are, then this course will get you on track so you can reach your goal. It's for those who have already started on their life story and those who don't even know where or how to begin. Each week there is a new assignment, with group participation and feedback. Come join this fun and challenging course.

**CODE** 400914-A  
**DATES** April 13 – June 1  
**DAY** | TIME Friday, 1:00 – 3:00 PM  
**LOCATION** Community Center  
**INSTRUCTOR** Frena Gray-Davidson  
**FEE** $58 per person
**HAPPY TAPPERS I**  
A Combination of Tap, Jazz, & Ballet  
This class is geared for tiny toes and happy tappers ages 3 to 5. Children will be taught the basic elements of jazz, tap, and ballet. Students should wear jazz, ballet, or tap shoes.

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**HAPPY TAPPERS II**  
A Combination of Tap, Jazz, & Ballet  
This class is a continuation of Happy Tappers I, geared for ages 6 to 8 or students with some dance experience. Children will learn the elements of tap, jazz, and ballet. Students should wear jazz, ballet, or tap shoes.

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**HAPPY TAPPERS III**  
A Combination of Tap, Jazz, & Ballet  
This class is geared for ages 9 and older or students with some dance experience. Students will learn the elements of tap, jazz, and ballet. Students should wear jazz, ballet, or tap shoes.

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**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.

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**JUJUTSU**  
Fering Cruz Jujutsu is a Japanese art form of self-defense. The art emphasizes the principles of life’s values, discipline, respect, fitness, coordination, and leadership. Safety and awareness of great importance in this class. Younger students will learn the fundamentals of self-defense. Older students will study the art with the emphasis of mind and body awareness. This is not a “grappling” class.

**MARTIAL ARTS**

**SIERRA VISTA MARTIAL ARTS**
Sierra Vista Martial Arts is a blend of Chinese, Okinawan, and Western martial arts developed by the instructors. With different experience backgrounds, they pooled their knowledge to develop a comprehensive martial arts program containing elements of Kung fu, Okinawa Te, and Combat Judo as well as Western methods like boxing. Instruction is based on forms (kata) and their analysis, extensive partner training, individual and small group study, and exploration of presented material. The goal is to train thinking, analytical martial artists who can see beyond the confines of the course material and integrate them with concepts taught by other systems. As such, cross training and the study of other systems is encouraged. The focus is on civilian self-defense, not on the modern sporting versions of martial arts.

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Tickets include a wine glass and six wine sampling tickets. Additional sampling tickets will be available at the event, four for $5. Beer is sold by the glass. Food and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. To see a full list of participating wineries, breweries, and distilleries, find the event on the “Sierra Vista Sips & Skies” Facebook page or go to visit.SierraVistaAZ.gov/wine-fest.

The event’s daytime headliners will be Johnny Zapp and Bernie Lezotte, an Arizona-based acoustic duo performing from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The evening headliner will be Two Night Stand, a Phoenix-based band that specializes in fun, high energy shows that make you want to dance and sing along! They’ll be performing from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Admission to the park is free. Please keep your personal pets at home. No animals; except for ADA approved service animals will be permitted.

Sky Islands Summit Challenge

Saturday, May 26, 2018

Take the Sky Islands Summit Challenge and climb one, two, or three peaks in the Huachuca Mountains. All participants get an awesome swag bag, two beer tickets for the Wine, Beer, & Spirits Festival, bragging rights, and amazing views from the top! All hikes begin in Ramsey Canyon Preserve and end in Miller Canyon. Hikers will be shuttled to and from the trail heads. Space is limited, so sign up at www.EventBrite.com by searching for “Sky Islands Summit Challenge” before it’s too late!

**ONE SUMMIT: Carr Peak, (9,236 feet)**
10.8 miles Perfect for weekend hikers and exercise lovers. Shuttle will leave from the Oscar Yrun Community Center at 6:50 a.m. for a 7:30 a.m. trail start. $50.

**DOUBLE SUMMIT: Carr Peak and Miller Peak (9,465 feet)**
15 miles Perfect for experienced hikers who love a challenge. Shuttle will leave from the Sierra Vista Public Library at 5:30 a.m. for a 6:15 a.m. trail start. $75.

**ELITE TRIPLE SUMMIT: Carr, Miller, and Pat Scott Peaks (8,517 feet)**
18.1 miles Perfect for trail runners, marathoners, and endurance athletes. Shuttle will leave from the Domingo Paiz Sports Complex at 4:20 a.m. for a 5:00 a.m. trail start. $100.

**WINE-TASTING TOUR**

**DATE** Sunday, May 27
**TIME** 11:45 A.M. - 5:45 P.M.
**LOCATION** The Landmark Cafe
400 W. Fry Boulevard

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In its second year, Sierra Vista’s Wine, Beer, & Spirits Festival will once again feature some of Arizona’s best wines, micro brews, and distilled spirits, rounded out with live music throughout the event.

Outdoor Breakfast Buffet

**DATE** Sunday, May 27
**TIME** 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
**LOCATION** The Landmark Cafe
400 W. Fry Boulevard
**TICKETS** $25 per person (all-you-can-eat)

Enjoy an amazing brunch at the Landmark Cafe on the patio of the historic site. There will be a cook-to-order omelet station with 20+ fillings to choose from, yogurt parfait bar, hot foods, baked goods, and beverages. Included is mimosa or a glass of champagne. Space is limited. Get your tickets at the Landmark Cafe by calling (520) 459-4624, or at www.EventBrite.com by searching for “Outdoor Breakfast Buffet.”

Wine-Tasting Tour

**DATE** Sunday, May 27
**TIME** 11:45 A.M. - 5:45 P.M.
**LOCATION** The Landmark Cafe
400 W. Fry Boulevard

Learn how the nearby Arizona wines differ from California wines at Hoppin’ Grapes Wine and Beer Tasting Shop and then allow the City of Sierra Vista to be your chauffeur on a wine-tasting tour through Sonoita and Elgin! There you will experience some of Arizona’s premiere wines while drinking in the extraordinary views of southeast Arizona wine country. The tour will visit Arizona Hops and Vines, Deep Sky, and Kief-Joshua vineyards.

The fee includes bus transportation, a wine glass, and 16 one-ounce tastings. Register at www.EventBrite.com by searching for “Wine Tasting Tour—Sonoita & Elgin.” For more information, contact Rob Hinderer at Robert.Hinderer@SierraVistaAZ.gov or (520) 439-2276.