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UP, UP, UP, UP and UP

A reminder that one word in the English language that can be a noun, verb, adjective, adverb and preposition:

UP

Author Unknown

Read until the end ... you'll laugh.

This two-letter word in English has more meanings than any other two-letter word, and that word is 'UP.' It is listed in the dictionary as an [adv.], [prep.], [adj.], [n] or [v].

It's easy to understand <u>UP</u>, meaning toward the sky or at the top of the list, but when we awaken in the morning, why do we wake **UP**?

At a meeting, why does a topic come <u>UP</u>? Why do we speak <u>UP</u>, and why are the officers <u>UP</u> for election and why is it <u>UP</u> to the secretary to write <u>UP</u> a report? We call <u>UP</u> our friends, brighten <u>UP</u> a room, polish <u>UP</u> the silver, warm <u>UP</u> the leftovers and clean <u>UP</u> the kitchen. We lock <u>UP</u> the house and fix **UP** the old car.

At other times, this little word has real special meaning. People stir <u>UP</u> trouble, line <u>UP</u> for tickets, work **UP** an appetite, and think **UP** excuses.

To be dressed is one thing, but to be dressed **<u>UP</u>** is special.

And this <u>UP</u> is confusing: A drain must be opened **UP** because it is stopped **UP**.

We open <u>UP</u> a store in the morning but we close it <u>UP</u> at night. We seem to be pretty mixed <u>UP</u> about <u>UP</u>!

It can be a greeting or question, What's **UP**?

To be knowledgeable about the proper uses of <u>UP</u>, look <u>UP</u> the word <u>UP</u> in the dictionary. In a desk-sized dictionary, it takes <u>UP</u> almost 1/4 of the page and can add <u>UP</u> to about thirty definitions.

If you are <u>UP</u> to it, you might try building <u>UP</u> a list of the many ways <u>UP</u> is used. It will take <u>UP</u> a lot of your time, but if you don't give <u>UP</u>, you may wind <u>UP</u> with a hundred or more.

UP, UP and AWAY

When it threatens to rain, we say it is clouding <u>UP</u>. When the sun comes out, we say it is clearing <u>UP</u>. When it rains, the earth soaks it <u>UP</u>. When it does not rain for a while, things dry <u>UP</u>. One could go on and on, but I'll wrap it <u>UP</u>, for now . . . my time is <u>UP</u>!

Oh . . . one more thing: What is the first thing you do in the morning and the last thing you do at night?

<u>U</u> P!

Did that one crack you **UP**?

Don't screw $\underline{\mathbf{UP}}$. Send this on to everyone you look $\underline{\mathbf{UP}}$ in your address book . . . or not . . . it's $\underline{\mathbf{UP}}$ to you.

Now I'll shut UP!

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THE WORD "UP"

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



By: Anna Willhite

We thought it would be fun to start the new year on an "UP" note. This Volume 10, Issue 1 of *The Mimbres Messenger* marks the beginning of the tenth year of its publication. The fact of our existence for ten years is reason enough for a celebratory bit of frivolity.

In the past ten years, The Messenger has evolved and undergone many changes. It has grown in size and methods of production, the "staff" of volunteers and contributors has changed and the content has, hopefully, expanded into new and interesting areas. It has become a staple of Valley news and items of local interest. Many new contributors have been sought out and embraced by the editorial staff. It remains a labor of love for the dedicated volunteers who bring it to you each month. We are all very grateful for the loyalty of our readers and the consistent and positive feedback you give us.

It is appropriate, here, to reiterate my fairly constant plea for contributions from our readers. There are so many interesting people and stories in the Valley, we would love to share them with our readers. If you do not consider yourself an author, contact us and we will help you through the ordeal – which is actually a fun and enjoyable process. Let us hear from you!

The holiday season was as frenetic and varied as we have come to expect. There were Holiday Bazaars, Craft Fairs and all manner of holiday-oriented events. There are so many talented artists in our area, it is always interesting to attend these events and see what new and wonderful holiday shopping opportunities exist right here in the Valley. There were holiday gatherings and celebrations with family and friends and holiday travel was without incident.

As I write this, I am enjoying beautiful, warm sunshine. This is one of the finer attributes of our Valley. As in the year just past, it seems that Mother Nature is again on the rampage in less fortunate areas. After the devastating hurricanes, earthquakes and other "natural" disasters in 2017, it seems that the Old Dame is not yet through with us. Most everywhere east of us is expecting bitter cold temperatures in the early days of 2018. For those of us who formerly lived in much colder and more snowy climates, the whiteouts (two in one day!) the week before Christmas were unsettling. The usual local pattern of snow on either Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, never in significant amounts, seemed doomed. But that snow turned out to be an early gift of winter wonderland and those of us who prefer this sort of climactic display were reassured.

Local holiday travel by family and friends was not compromised and we had sunshine and the cool December temperatures we enjoy. My apologies to those who yearn for snowy holidays – too many years having to shovel the white stuff in December color my attitude toward snow: small amounts and short duration. It is still possible to enjoy the beauty of falling snow with this mind set, but large piles and removal of it do not rate highly with me.

In January, when we resume our regular routines, there are many activities and events just waiting to happen. Hopefully we will all get back to work with a fresh outlook and positive attitude toward accomplishing whatever we choose to undertake. Notice, I make NO comments or promises about New Years' Resolutions!

All the Very Best for a Happy and Healthy New Year!

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AARP TAX-AIDE

Free Tax Return Preparation for Seniors and Low to Middle Income Taxpayers

Again this year, AARP Tax-Aide Foundation will be in the area, providing free income tax return preparation for seniors and low to middle income taxpayers. Cut off is usually about \$75,000, it just depends on how complicated the return. This program has been in place for more than ten years, and has become a tax-season tradition for many.

New tax law legislation has caused all manner of questions and uncertainties, but for tax year 2017, it looks pretty much like business as usual. New tax laws, for the most part, do not take effect until tax year 2018, and those returns will not be prepared until 2019.

Essentially, if you filed a return in 2016, you should consider that you will do the same for 2017.

This is especially true for those who file a New Mexico return only. New Mexico senior and low-income credits have **NOT** been eliminated.

Do **NOT** consider pre-paying property tax to save the deduction. Unless you pay \$10,000 or more in property tax, this is not an issue.

There are a few changes that are built into the IRS regulations for 2017 but will have little practical effect on most everyone. There is an increase in the standard deduction and the Earned Income Credit has increased. These are the sorts of changes that you may see, but none of them automatically eliminate the need for fil-

NM 152 Hanover ROADWAY CLOSURE Blasting at Chino Mines

Plan your trips accordingly

ROAD ADVISORY

CLOSURE- Hanover Area as reported by the DOT

The Freeport McMoRan Chino Mines will be closing NM 152 at mile post 5 (Turnerville) for haul road blasting.

Traffic will encounter delays for a one hour closure from **11:00** am to **12:00** pm, Monday through Friday.

Motorists are asked to reduce speed, obey posted signs, use extreme caution, and be cautious of personnel in the area.

ing. Basically, if you filed in 2016, you should consider that you will need to file for 2017. To be certain, make an appointment and consult with the AARP volunteers who will be ready to advise you.

Returns will be prepared starting February 5th in Mimbres (Mondays only), at the Bayard Public Library (Wednesdays and Thursdays only) and in Silver City at WNMU Watts Hall (Tuesdays and Wednesdays only).

YOU MUST MAKE AN APPOINTMENT. Please do **NOT** call the Library, use the number below.

For Mimbres and Bayard, call 575-536-9323, after January 31st between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to schedule an appointment. Be aware that after the start of return preparation, there will be no one to take your calls during the days we are out doing returns (Monday, Wednesday and Thursday) you may leave a message if you wish.

For Silver City, the routine is somewhat different. You may sign up at the Silver City Public Library and Silver City Senior Center. A volunteer will then call you to arrange an appointment. Sign-up sheets will be at these locations after the week before return preparation begins. Or this year there will be a phone number you can call to set up an appointment. This number has not been determined at this time, but will be published as soon as it is available.

Some brokerage houses and other financial institutions are not required to send annual reports to you until mid-February, and some not until the end of February. Be sure you have all your income information before you make an appointment.

MIMBRES VALLEY HEALTH ACTION LEAGUE (MVHAL)

Is seeking someone familiar with metal buildings to install a window and three doors in the MVHAL storage container volunteer or paid worker.

Contact Sonny Johnson

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ROUNDUP LODGE NOTES

The Roundup Lodge and the Booster Club ended the year in high gear. Starting with the beautiful Christmas decorations which the creative volunteers put up shortly after Thanksgiving, it seems there was something going on most every day. There were many private parties and local groups meeting during December.

The Christmas Bazaar saw a large turnout, both of vendors with many and varied holiday items and the "shoppers" who helped everyone have a fun and successful day.

The Booster Club's annual Christmas Program for San Lorenzo Elementary School brought together a gathering of members for wrapping and organizing all of the gifts that were later delivered to the school. This annual event is always a fun, and sometimes creative, event for the volunteers. It is one of the favorite projects the Boosters undertake, and garners much interest from all of us and the community.

This year there were many non-Booster gestures of support and donations for the Christmas program, too - assuring that each San Lorenzo student received a bag of

gifts for Christmas. The Boosters thank all of those who participated, and donated to this event.

The San Lorenzo Elementary School Backpack Program produced a gratifying response to the Booster

Club sponsored appeals for donations. Sales of raffle tickets for the Chain Saw Raffle were brisk, and will continue until the February 10th drawing. Tickets are still available at La Tienda and Valle Mimbres Market and Booster Club members.

There will be no Booster Club meeting in January, as is

customary, and when monthly meetings resume on February 1st, there will be a new roster of officers to carry on. They are:

President – Anna Willhite 1st Vice President - Vivian Myers 2nd Vice President - Charlene Waid

Secretary - Lora Lisbon Treasurer – Dawn Gray

There *will* be Bingo on January 14th. December Bingo was an unusually large group, and was a seriously fun time, befitting the holiday season. But then, it is always fun at Bingo. Join us for a fun-filled Sunday afternoon.

The Lodge remains available for private functions, celebrations and social gatherings. To make reservations for an event or meeting, call Sally at 505-360-1583 or Anna at 536-9323.



Booster Club Volunteers, Anna, Paula, Brenda and Sally (four of the many) busily wrapping hundreds of presents for the San Lorenzo students.

Photos by Dawn Gray

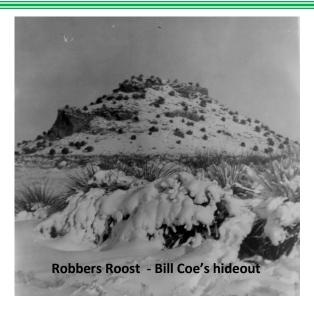
Happy New Year to all.

Make a resolution to join the Roundup Lodge Booster Club this year!

Come to our next meeting on February 1st and enjoy a light supper with us.

Help us with all of the good projects we undertake. Devote as much or as little time as you like. We have lots of fun, and it is a great way to meet your neighbors. Our membership is made up of both men and women, and we always welcome new members.

BILL COE



One hundred years have come and gone Since Bill Coe roamed the Cimarron. He preyed upon the best of men Their women and their children.

He called himself a Captain man, The leader of a ruthless band Of wild cutthroats who raged the land From Robbers Roast to the Rio Grand.

Where the Carrazzo meets the Cimarron They hung some of his men upon The cottonwoods along the creek And they'd hung Bill, though he escaped.

Now when his time did come to go They caught him in New Mexico He was on his way from Trinidad Back to the Roost and the place he had.

That's just about the way they said, What they said, and what I've read. He'd face the roughest, toughest men, Though a lad fourteen had turned him in.

No more Coe roams the Cimarron His ruthless rustling days are gone They live in peace upon the land From Robbers Roost to the Rio Grand.

J.R.W.

After Darkness, Comes Light by Ria Bonneamie

Plunging deep into the abyss,
Gasping for wide open space,
Clawing the steep granite walls,
The fire raging fiercely below,
Threading through the needle,
Reaching the other side,
Only to be blasted upward,
Past the merciless past,
Through quaking hills,
Through boiling rivers,
Sprouting wings into the azure,
Promise of a different future.







FOREST SERVICE NEWS



Forest Service visitor map price to increase January 1

USDA Forest Service visitor maps will increase in price from \$10 to \$14 effective Monday, January 1, 2018.

Rising costs of production, printing, and distribution have driven the need for the price increase of the paper and plastic-coated visitor maps, the first such increase in almost a decade. The agency continually updates its maps, seeking to enhance them as well. The Forest Service also expects to shorten the revision cycle as its cartographers continue applying new digital technology to the map revision process.

The agency is also working to increase the availability of digital maps, which cost \$4.99 per side. Digital maps for mobile applications can be downloaded at: http://www.avenza.com/pdf-maps/store.

As always, forest visitor maps are available for sale at those Forest Service offices in Arizona and New Mexico that currently sell them.

Volume purchases are available from the National Forest Map Store (NFMS) and can be ordered:

· Online: www.NationalForestStore.com

By phone: (406)-329-3024

To help offset the price increase for volume sales, discount pricing will now be available to all customers starting January 1. Discounted maps are only available when purchased through the NFMS.

Additional online resources include:

- Interactive Visitor Map: to help visitors find places to explore
- Know Before You Go: tips for safely enjoying the outdoors

For information on the Gila National Forest, check out our website at http://www.fs.usda.gov/gila or join the conversation on Facebook

at <u>www.facebook.com/GilaNForest/</u> or follow us on Twitter @GilaNForest.

Silver City Ranger District Implements Seasonal Campground Closures

The Gila National Forest, Silver City Ranger District will be implementing seasonal closures from December 1 to March 31 effective Friday, December 1 for some campgrounds for the winter season.

The following campgrounds will be closed:

- Iron Creek Campground, located in the Black Range Mountains off NM State Highway 152
- Upper Gallinas Campground, located in the Black Range Mountains off NM State Highway 152
- Railroad Canyon Campground, located in the Black Range Mountains off NM State Highway 152
- Cherry Creek Campground, located off NM State Highway 15
- McMillan Campground, located off NM State Highway 15

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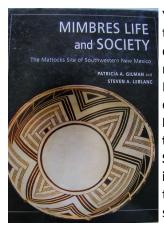
Call (575) 534-4529



NEWS FROM

MIMBRES CULTURE HERITAGE SITE

By Kathy Hill



You now have the opportunity to purchase a new copy of Dr. Patricia Gilman and Dr. Steve Le-Blanc's brand new publication;

Mimbres Life and Society: The Mattocks Site of Southwestern New Mexico at the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site gift shop.

This is the first time a book's focus is entirely on the Mattock's Ruin.

Dr. Steve LeBlanc and Dr. Patricia Gilman excavated at the Mattock's Site in the 1970s.

So to save a few dollars and postage, come to the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site and purchase your copy. The book will not be published again, so this is the time to collect yours.

A miniature load of pine fire wood is for sale to benefit MCHS. Call Kathy 536-3161 or Marilyn 536-9337 for information



Story and Photos courtesy of Marilyn Markel

Mimbres Pottery Images along the Highway



If you've driven up Highway 35 through Mimbres recently you've probably noticed what looks like large Mimbres pottery bowls mounted on fences. Actually, these are repurposed satellite dishes painted to look like Mimbres Indian pots—images from a thousand years ago. Last year students from Hurley Elementary school spent a day at the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site (MCHS) and learned about the artistic people that once lived at the large pueblo village we call the Mattocks Ruin. Back at school, the kids picked a few of their favorite pottery images and painted them on satellite dishes collected by volunteers at MCHS. Now those dishes are on display for everyone to admire and enjoy—and to let people know they can visit the place where many of those incredibly beautiful Mimbres pots were created and then found by archaeologists when they excavated the Mattocks Ruin.



GriefShare is a special weekly support group designed to help you

rebuild your life after losing a loved one.

The meetings will include:

- Videos featuring grief recovery experts
- Small discussion groups
- Workbook to reinforce the weekly topics



Tuesday, January 23rd from 6-8 p.m.

Rio Mimbres Baptist Church

29 Cactus Drive, Mimbres Valley

For more information call: 575-313-4199

For those of you who are old enough to remember Phyllis Diller—a bit of nostalgia

Words of wisdom by Phyllis Diller...

Whatever you may look like, marry a man your own age. As your beauty fades, so will his eyesight.

Housework can't kill you, but why take a chance?

Cleaning your house while your kids are still growing up is like shoveling the sidewalk before it stops snowing.

The reason women don't play football is because 11 of them would never wear the same outfit in public.

Best way to get rid of kitchen odors: Eat out.

A bachelor is a guy who never made the same mistake once.

I want my children to have all the things I couldn't afford. Then I want to move in with them.

Most children threaten at times to run away from home. This is the only thing that keeps some parents going.

Any time three New Yorkers get into a cab without an argument, a bank has just been robbed.

We spend the first twelve months of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk and the next twelve years telling them to sit down and shut up.

Burt Reynolds once asked me out. I was in his room.

What I don't like about office Christmas parties is looking for a job the next day.

The only time I ever enjoyed ironing was the day I accidentally got gin in the steam iron.

His finest hour lasted a minute and a half.

Old age is when the liver spots show through your gloves.

My photographs don't do me justice -they just look like me

I admit, I have a tremendous sex drive. My boyfriend lives forty miles away.

Tranquilizers work only if you follow the advice on the bottle - keep away from children.

I asked the waiter, 'Is this milk fresh?' He said, 'Lady, three hours ago it was grass.'

The reason the golf pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing.

You know you're old if they have discontinued your blood type.



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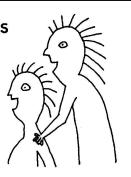
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P.S. Apologies for the slight delay in getting *The Messenger* out this time. Various maladies among some of us responsible for meeting deadlines intervened. But we are all fine now.



From everyone at the *Mimbres Messenger* we wish all of our readers a healthy, happy and prosperous

New Year!

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"We close these campgrounds due to budget shortfalls and lack of staff in the winter months as well safety concerns during inclement weather. We encourage forest visitors to check weather and road conditions prior to heading out on the Forest" said Diane Taliaferro, District Ranger. Visitors should also be mindful of hazards that can be present during the colder months, such as sudden weather and temperature changes and falling trees due to windy and/or snowy conditions. To find out about the roads that are typically closed during the winter season or more information about any of the campgrounds, please contact the local ranger district.

For information on the Gila National Forest, check out our website at http://www.fs.usda.gov/gila or join the conversation on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ GilaNForest/ or follow us on Twitter GilaNForest/.



OLD T-SHIRTS NEEDED Don't throw them away!

Dawn Gray will be collecting old t-shirts *in any condition* as long as they are clean.

They will be made into rag rugs which will be sold to supplement the income of the ladies who weave them.

Please bring the t-shirts to Commodities Distribution Day at the Roundup Lodge



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Mimbres Roundup Lodge Your Community Center

Sunday, January 14 2 pm to 5 pm

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR & HAPPENINGS

- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS EVERY TUESDAY and FRIDAY 5:30 pm** Mimbres Roundup Lodge, Acklin Hill Road. Speaker meeting last Tuesday of the month. For more information call 515-313-4693 or 888-388-1802.
- ALZHEIMER CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP For more information call Sharon McGrath 536-3950.
- CASAS ADOBES WATER ASSOCIATION meets January 18 (usually the third Thursday of every month) 6:30 p.m. Round-up Lodge, Acklin Hill Road.
- **COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION January 17 (third Wednesday of every month) 12 NOON to 2:00 pm -** Roundup Lodge Please bring a suitable box. Volunteers to help pack boxes are always needed.
- DESERT WEST AUCTION THE BIG RED BARN 3870 Hwy 35, Mimbres. Every second weekend each month Any questions contact the Coogans either by email at desertwest@desertwest@desertwestauction.com or call 575-536-9353. Preview starts at 11 am Auction and On-line bidding at 1 pm Saturday and Sunday. www.liveauctioneers.com or www.liveauctioneers.com or <a href="https:
- GIRL SCOUTS OF DESERT SOUTHWEST, TROOP 049, meets at Roundup Lodge on Mondays at 5:15 pm to 6:15 pm weekly. For more information, come to a meeting. No meetings when school is not in session.
- **HMS MIMBRES CLINIC -** Clinic Hours and Days have been **changed** to Monday, Tuesday and **Thursday 7:00 am to 6 pm**. 575-536-3990 (Closed between 12 noon and 1 pm for lunch)
- KATE BROWN POTTERY & TILE Open by appointment 536-9935
- LA ESPERANZA VINEYARD & WINERY Winery open Friday, Saturday and Sunday Noon to 6:00 pm. Mimbres' Award Winning Winery. For more information call 505-259-9523 or 505-238-6252
- MIMBRES CULTURE HERITAGE SITE 12 Sage Drive (on Highway 35), The Mattocks Site and museum has gone to its winter schedule: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm. Special group tours can be arranged by calling 575-536-3333 or 575-536-3161 at least a week in advance.
- **MIMBRES FARM BUREAU January 11 -** Monthly meetings usually are the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. Roundup Lodge. Pot-luck supper followed by a business meeting. Everyone welcome.
- MIMBRES VALLEY HEALTH ACTION LEAGUE (MVHAL) Board Meeting January 10 Second Wednesday of the month 5:30 pm .Roundup Lodge, Acklin Hill Road, San Lorenzo. Everyone Welcome.
- MIMBRES VALLEY ROUNDUP LODGE BOOSTER CLUB Acklin Hill Road Calendar of events.
 - **BOOSTER CLUB MONTHLY MEETING. NO MEETING IN JANUARY** (Usually First Thursday of the month) Everyone welcome. Light dinner served.
 - **BINGO Sunday, January 14 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm -** Second Sunday of each month. Roundup Lodge \$5 a card or 3 for \$10.00. Grand Prize of \$50
- MIMBRES VALLEY SENIOR CENTER LUNCH DAILY— Monday Friday 11:30 Reservations are requested one day in advance. EXERCISE FOR SENIORS - Every Tuesday and Thursday - 10:00 am Stretching and light weight lifting. For information call Thelma Melvin 536-2899
 - **SENIOR CENTER THRIFT STORE open to everyone 9 am to 1:30 pm Monday through Friday.** Great bargains by donation. There is also a free book lending area.
 - **SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY COUNCIL January 23 -** (meets 4th Tuesday of each month after lunch) For information call Sharon McGrath 536-3950
- MIMBRES VALLEY THERAPEUTIC HEALING MASSAGES Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays 2739 Highway 35. For appointments call 575-574-7069
- VALLE MIMBRES MARKET NEW WINTER HOURS ~ TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 11:30 am to 5:30pm; Fresh organic and local produce, groceries and more. Every Wednesday 5% off for Seniors. Every Saturday 10% off all fresh produce. Credit, debit, EBT. 2739 Highway 35. 575-574-7069 Wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year.

COUNTY CALENDAR

- ALBERTSONS Wednesday, JANUARY 3 First Wednesday of the month. Seniors 55+ get 10% off. All day.
- **AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP Every Wednesday 6 pm to 7 pm -** Arenas Valley Church of Christ, 5 Race Track Road, Arenas Valley. Open meeting for family and friends of alcoholics. For information, call 575-313-7094 or 575-654-1643
- AMERICAN LEGION POST 18 of Silver City meets every Wednesday from 8:30 am to 10:30 am for coffee and doughnuts for all veterans. 409 West College Avenue, Silver City. For more information contact Ray Davis 575-956-5153

 AMERICAN LEGION POST 18 and THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILLARY meet the second Saturday of every month at the American Legion Post Breakfast at 9 am followed by a meeting at 10 am
- BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN Wednesday, January 10 2nd WEDNESDAYS 6:00 pm Everyone, members and interested parties are invited. Meetings frequently include information on upcoming events, trail cleanings and conditions, educational presentations and demonstrations. WNMU Watt's Hall Room #224 in Silver City Opposite CVS Pharmacy NW corner of Hwy 180 and Swam parking on Cactus enter at NW door.
- BAYARD PUBLIC LIBRARY NEW HOURS Monday noon to 6 pm, Tuesday through Friday 9 am to 6 pm CLOSED on Saturday and Sunday.

BOOKMOBILE WEST SCHEDULE - Thursday, January 25

Mimbres - NEW LOCATION - Living Harvest Bakery
Lake Roberts - Sapillo Creek Fire Station
Doc Campbell's Post (near Gila Cliff Dwellings)
9:45 am - 10:45 am
11:45 am - 12:45 pm
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- **GRANT COUNTY ARCHAELOCIGAL SOCIETY Wednesday, January 17 3rd WEDS of the month. 6:00 PM** The Mary Foule Building 2045 Memory Lane (large building on the west side of the street with yellow door) in Silver City. Guest speaker will be Mimbres Archaeologist Dr. Patrica Gilman. For information, call **Marilyn Markel 536-9337.**
- GRANT COUNTY ROLLING STONES GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY Thursday, January 11 (2nd Thursday), 6:00 pm Meeting and potluck followed by a rock draw. Bring your own service ware and dish to share. NEW MEETING PLACE and CONTACT INFO: 2045 Memory Lane, Silver City and the new contact phone number is 575-654-4424 rollingstonesgms.blogspot.com
 - **Field trip Saturday, January 20 -** the **3rd Saturday of the month at 8:30 am**. For more information contact Ansel Walters at 575-388-2010
- MS SUPPORT GROUP First Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am for lunch in Silver City. Meetings are held in various City area restaurants. New members with Multiple Sclerosis are welcome. Email huseworld@yahoo.com for the location.
- **NEW HOPE AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP EVERY MONDAY 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm -** First Presbyterian Church at 20th and Swan, Silver City. Open meeting for family and friends of alcoholics. For information, call Jerry 575-534-4866 or Diana 575-574-2311.
- PUPPY DOG RANCH RESCUE AND SANCTUARY Open by appointment Tuesday Friday 10 am to 5 pm Grant County's only private, no kill, no cage rescue. 27 Twin Sisters Creek Road, Arenas Valley 575-313-7232
- SILVER CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON MEETING Thursday, January 4 at 11:45 am WNMU Student Cafeteria, Sunset Room, Student Memorial Building, 100 College Avenue. Guest speaker will be Mr. Silagy to discuss "The Money Puzzle", a brief look at an upcoming financial workshop for small businesses in Grant County. Reminder that you should register online. Cost is \$15 for full lunch. See silvercity.org for detailed information or email info@silvercity.org or call GCCC at 575-538-3785.

www.silvercityfoodcoop.coop for information about any event.

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SILVER CITY PHOTO CLUB - Wednesday, January 3 - 7:00 PM. Unitarian Universalist Meeting House, 3845 North Swan, in Silver City. 860-670-4543 - Bruce Bloy, photographer about town, will discuss post-camera processing. Highlights of Bruce's talk will include work flow, a "way of thinking" about the final image, and how to use particular tools such as Photoshop Camera Raw, Lightroom, and NIK. Bruce has offered courses to WILL members in the past, but this photo club session is free and open to all.

WALGREENS - Tuesday, January 2 - (1st Tuesday of each month) - SENIOR DISCOUNT - 10% off of items not on sale.

WIDOWED AND SINGLE PERSONS OF GRANT COUNTY - Monday, January 8 - Sign in at 10:30 am - (second Monday of each month) Cross Point Assembly of God church (formerly Glad Tidings Church) 11600 Hwy 180 E - Mayor Ken Ladner will be our speaker. Cost for lunch is \$12. All singles are welcome. For information call 575-437-3643.

WOMEN'S AL-ANON MEETING: WOMEN EMBRACING RECOVERY - Every Friday - 5:30 pm to 6:30pm - La Clinica Health and Birth Center, 3201 Ridge Loop, Silver City. Closed meeting for women who are family and friends of alcoholics. For infortion call 575-313-7094 or 575-313-1032

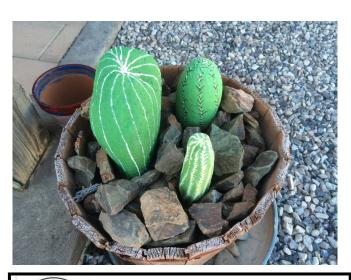
MYSTERY PHOTO CHALLENGE FOR JANUARY

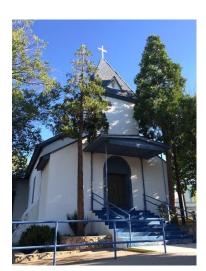
January's mystery photo:

Pretty to look at and you can touch the cacti. What a deal! You see these pots of cactus when camping or preparing to go camping. Do you know where it is?

December Mystery photo location.

Last month's mystery photo was of the church in San Lorenzo. A very historic building.





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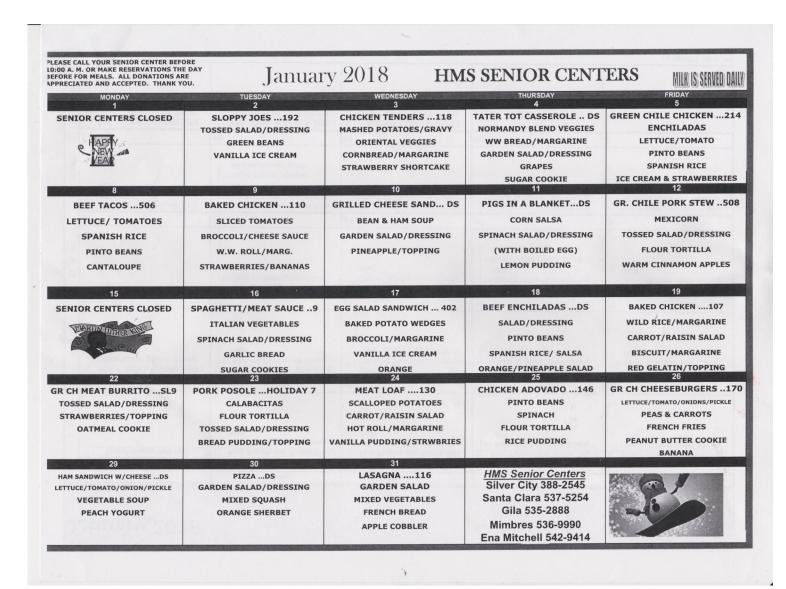
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Teen Ink By Ajalaa Claussen



How beautiful she is with her lavishly curled hair, Her eyes wrinkled in a rippling giggle where the crows perch, And marble glazed pupils that blend in with the irises.

She gazes at the fresh snow so cold yet warms her heart, well-welcomed.

Muffled sounds break through to her toasty ears. Every whisper, visible in the chilling air.

Words engraved on her lips with every line. Every line she spoke in a play, every song she sang, every fight she yelled.

Rosy lips curled, spreading her joy, and hiding her worry.

Increasing creases crack her facade under pressure.

Pressure of finals week, pressure of family, pressure of being perfect.

The ground beneath her, beneath all girls, and all teens, eventually cracks.

Cracks the mold of the perfect person, cracks the idea of flawlessness. Falling away at the feet of a grown woman, or a grown man, they are their own person. She is her own person.





The Kiwanis Club of Silver City celebrated students honored as Terrific Kids for December at San Lorenzo Elementary School. The program "honors elementary school students for demonstrating a positive attitude, good character, and responsible citizenship. The club has formed a partnership with 9 elementary schools to recognize Terrific Kids every month of the scholastic year. Besides getting a certificate each child is given a packet of goodies for them and their parents. Those honored are: back, Michael Richter, Ethan Rico, Sheridan Lynch, Alliana DeLaTorre, and Claire Biebelle. Front, Itzel Valdez, Cheyenne Medrano, and Ariana Legarda. Not pictured is Brady Ybarra.



Learn About Archaeology and the Mimbres People with Conejo Mimbreño

The Rio Mimbres is a river in southwest New Mexico.

The Mimbres People lived in southwest New Mexico from about 200 AD to about 1150 AD.

Rivers, springs, and other sources of water were important to the Mimbres People and all people that have lived, and live today, in the Mimbres Valley.

The Mimbres people were famers and grew corn, beans, and squash.

Bighorn sheep once lived in the Mimbres Mountains of southwest New Mexico.

The Mattocks Ruin is located at the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site in the Mimbres Valley.

Preservation is the way archaeologists (and all Americans) work to keep special places like the Mattocks Ruin safe and protected from harm or damage.

Pottery -- bowls or jars made from clay. The Mimbres People made beautiful pottery.

"Rio" is Spanish for River.

Rain brings needed moisture to the earth. The Mimbres People, and all farmers, depend on the rain to grow their food such as corn, and beans, and squash.

An Indian is a Native American. The Mimbres People are the long-ago Indians that lived in the Mimbres Valley.

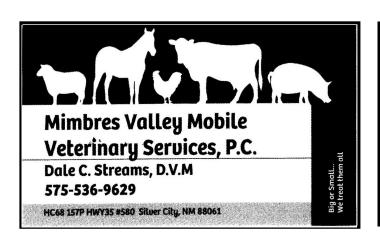
Sherds, or potsherds, are broken pieces of pottery.

Yuccas were a very useful plant and were used by the Mimbres People for baskets, sandals, cordage (string and rope), and paint brushes.

A ruin is the remains of an ancient Indian village like the Mattocks Ruin.

A Bighorn is a kind of wild sheep. Many other animals like deer, bear, coyotes, wolves, mountain lions, fox, and rabbits were important to the Mimbres people. Mimbres artists painted images of animals on their pottery.



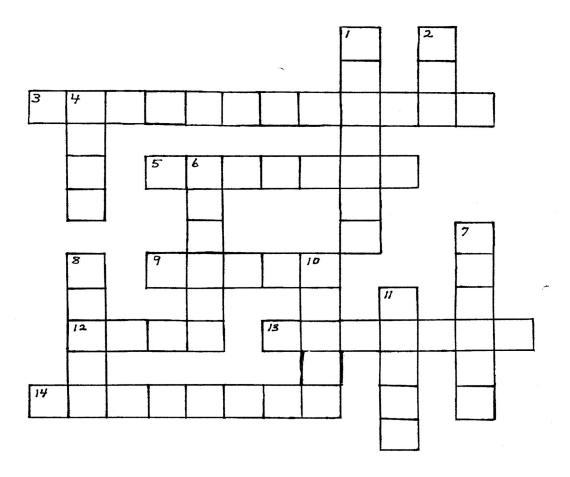




The Archaeological Society and Conejo Mimbreño decided to ring in the New Year with a something different. Instead of a coloring page, we will feature all types of activities for the younger reader. This month is an archaeological crossword puzzle.

Let us know what you think.

Conejo Mimbreño Archaeology Crossword



ACROSS:

- 4. To keep from harm or damage (a noun).
- 5. Name of a river and an ancient people.
- 9. Source of water, a watercourse.
- 12. A kind of food crop.
- 13. A majestic four-legged animal that once lived in the Mimbres region.
- 14. The name of the archaeological site at the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site.

DOWN:

- 1. Bowls or jars made of fired clay.
- 2. "River" in Spanish.
- 4. Brings needed moisture to the earth.
- 6. A Native American.
- 7. Pieces of broken pottery.
- 8. A plant used to make baskets and sandals.
- 10. Remains of ancient dwellings.
- 11. The kind of animal in 13 ACROSS.

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WEDNESDAY, January 10th - 5:30 - 7:00 pm Mimbres Valley Health Action League Board Meeting. Roundup Lodge, Acklin-Hill Road. ALL VALLEY RESIDENTS WELCOME.

WEDNESDAY, January 17th - Noon to 2 pm Commodities Pickup - Roundup Lodge - Volunteers needed to pack food. Please bring suitable boxes.

The Mimbres Valley Health Action League was founded for the purposes of improving the health, well-being, and quality of life for the people of the Mimbres region. Some of the ways targeted to do that are by improving communication and social networks, providing preventive health education, improving access to health and social services, increasing financial and economic stability, increasing recreation opportunities, increasing education opportunities, and promoting a safe and healthy environment.

Answers to Crossword Puzzle on Page 19

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