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TRAVELING LIBRARY VISITS VALLEY MONTHLY

By Grace Williams

I stopped by the Three Questions Coffeehouse about 9am Thursday, February 20 so I could talk with people who use the Bookmobile. I use the Silver City Public Library when I'm in town, so I was curious about this mobile library that visits the Mimbres Valley once a month.

I sat down to breakfast and talked with long time Bookmobile patrons Lynnae McConanahan and Barb & John Navakas. I asked them to tell me why the Bookmobile was important to them. Here are some of their responses: "I find it hard getting to the library in Silver City and need help finding books I like. They call me to let me know my request is in. If they know an author you like, they will make suggestions for other books by that author. It's a social event.

When there are lots of people in the Bookmobile, it's almost like a coffee bar. It comes monthly and if I haven't finished a book, I can renew it, and there is no fine." I reminded them that the Silver City Library will renew books and has no charges for past due books. They reminded me it is a 45-minute drive to the Silver City Library (1 ½ hour round trip). Additional comments were: "The staff is very helpful and accommodating. Over time they learn your name and the type of books you like to read. They're always on time! If they have a breakdown, they email their patrons that they may be late or not make it. If you don't have the internet, they will call you on the phone."

I went outside into the parking lot and stepped into what looked like an older recreational vehicle and was surrounded by books, magazines, DVDs and other materials. I met Liana Morales, the Bookmobile West Manager and Librarian and Martin Sedillo, a Library Tech. The first thing I heard was Ms. Morales greet them by name and saying "We have

some books for you." I watched the five patrons inside as they talked about books and got recommendations from Martin and Ms. Morales. As local resident Anna Weiland was being checked out, she told me that the Bookmobile is a community event where you not only get really great books, but you also get to see your neighbors.

Ainsley DeBoer Cook found an out of print art book in the collection which connected patterns in art from all around the world. As long as no one else wanted the book, she was able to renew it multiple times in order to study the patterns and expand her own artistic knowledge.

"They make every effort to get anything you want,"

said Reba Spain. Reba loves to read and listen to audiobooks. She told me if she listens to a good story on an audiobook while working at home and "it keeps her working."

The patrons left with their books and Martin and Liana busied themselves with the tasks of the day. Wiping down returned books, checking them in and re-shelving them. I asked Liana where the Bookmobile traveled, and she replied, "we go to eight counties in the Southwest of the state, Catron, Cibola, Grant, Hidalgo, McKinley, Sierra, Socorro and Valencia." There are three staff members who rotate weekly trips. That way each employee spends only two weeks a month on the road. This time, Library Tech Robert Marquez was absent.

Martin has been working with the Bookmobile for about 13 months. He told me, "I am a former business manager



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LETTER FROM THE TEMP EDITOR

By Mary Willhite



We are sad to report that the *Mimbres Messenger's* Editor, Anna, passed away this month. She has been the editor for the past seven years was responsible for most of the well-written articles and all of the correct grammar and syntax. We will miss her writing prowess and sarcastic wit.

The rest of us at the Messenger will do our best to continue on even though it may not be quite as good!

Anyone who would like to contribute articles for consideration in future issues is encouraged to do so. Articles, poems, short stories, and humor are all welcome.

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One of my favorite days of the year is coming up in March. No, it is not St. Patrick's Day, that is my husband's favorite! My favorite will occur on Sunday, March 8th — Day Light Savings Time starts! Not only do I get an extra hour of sleep, but it gives me hope that

warmer weather is on its way. Don't forget to "Spring Forward" on Saturday night. Actually, I wish they would abolish it all together, but Spring Forward is definitely the better end!



FLOOD WATER SAFETY

Per the National Weather Service's NO-
AA website, "Each year, more deaths occur due to flooding than from any other thunderstorm related hazard. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that over half of all flood-related drownings occur when a vehicle is driven into hazardous flood water. The next highest percentage of flood-related deaths is due to walking into or near flood waters. People underestimate the force and power of water. Many of the deaths occur in automobiles as they are swept downstream. Of these drownings, many are preventable, but too many people continue to drive around the barriers that warn you the road is flooded. A mere 6 inches of fast-moving flood water can knock over an adult. It takes just 12 inches of rushing water to carry away a small car, while 2 feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles. It is NEVER safe to drive or walk into flood waters." Please "Turn Around Don't Drown"!



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and am now happy to serve the public.” He continued, For some people we provide a “life-line to the outside world”. Liana has been with the New Mexico Bookmobile program for three years. She is now the Bookmobile West Manager.

I was curious how this mobile library worked. They have a headquarters where their materials are stored. Their materials include books, audiobooks, DVDs, and magazines. They rotate the materials by demand. There is an online catalog that patrons can access to search for books and make holds. One of the Manager’s responsibilities is to develop the collection and make it well rounded, but also to keep it reader focused. Liana is trying to build the DVD collection. Patrons may soon have access to Oscar nominated mov-



ies.

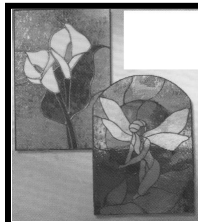
So how is this gift to the community funded? They receive a grant from the Library Services and Technology Act, which is Federal money. Some funding comes from the New Mexico Legislature. The collection of materials depends on funding support from the counties they serve. If this funding is reduced, it effects the quantity of materials that they have to loan. Liana said, “There have been some lean years, but the program keeps going.” The New Mexico Bookmobile program has been active since 1956.

CALLING ALL KIDS! Liana is excited about a new program coming this summer, called “Imagine Your Story.” Children who visit the Bookmobile will receive a free bookbag and other goodies. This is your invitation to come explore the Bookmobile and see what books they have.

I asked if there was a problem with materials not being

returned. The answer was yes. There are a few patrons who do not return materials. Liana and Martin want to remind patrons if their books are overdue, keep in mind other patrons are just as anxious as you were when you wanted that particular book.

If you are interested in visiting the Bookmobile West, you can find its monthly travel schedule for the Mimbres Valley in the Mimbres Messenger. While here they stop at the Living Harvest Bakery, the Sapillo Creek Fire Station and Doc Campbell’s Post, near the Gila Cliff Dwellings. They usually



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SUSTAINABILITY - From the Dump to the Tub

How Solar Powered Hot Water can Save you Money

By Franz Raiter

This article was originally printed in the *Mimbres Messenger* in the October 2014 issue. The article is not only entertaining, but also very informative. With the upcoming Solar Hot Water Workshop, we thought it was very appropriate to reprint the article.

“What you’re building is a bomb!” said the agitated plumbing professional who adamantly insisted on remaining anonymous. I smiled and thought back on the path that had led me to this somewhat embarrassing moment. I was standing yet again at the counter of a certain nameless plumbing supply store in this general region, fumbling through a list of parts that would hopefully lead me to a moneysaving solution to my hot water problem. You see, while I sleep in an opulent, miniature barn that was featured in the December ’13 episode of *Pimp my Shack*, for my showering and dish washing needs, I use a tiny, six-gallon hot water heater in my travel trailer. It has been adequate; I can take a luxurious five -minute shower with pinprick lasers of water coming out of an extremely low flow showerhead before ice-cold water begins to assault me, but I wanted more. I am never satisfied and always pushing the limits.

Using complicated math, it is possible to determine that it takes quite a bit of energy to change the temperature of water.



In fact, the most common way we measure heat output, the British Thermal Unit or BTU, is based on the amount of energy it takes to cool or heat one pound of water by one degree Fahrenheit. Enough scientific mumbo

jumbo, what has proven true is that solar powered hot water systems can save energy and hence save money. We sit in an area of the world that gets bombarded by huge amounts of solar energy. If you go online and look up ‘solar exposure map’ you will

see that we are smack dab in the middle of solar country. It is remarkable to have something that basically just lays there and makes hot water, with no moving parts, using recycled materials, and this is one of the best places in the country to employ this strategy.

No Hippies were harmed in the making of this article...

I attended a hands-on workshop led by perennial nice guy and local solar guru, Asher Gelbart, in which he showed a curious crowd of well intentioned hippies, retro-rednecks and spendthrifts, how it was possible to create a system that made hot water from the sun.

This hot water can either be used directly, or used to pre-heat an existing water heater so that it consumes less energy. Conveniently located valves can direct the hot water depending on the desired effect. This system also works effectively with on-demand hot water heaters as well.

It was a rainy day at his bohemian compound tucked up in the foothills of The Black Range. Using scrap lumber, old water heaters, cardboard, tin foil, recycled double paned windows and the elbow grease of workshop attendees, Asher constructed an effective, passive heating unit (no moving parts) capable of producing hot water for many years. He showed us how to strip and prepare old water heaters, construct and insulate the cabinet and install the proper plumbing fittings. He stopped short of actually hooking it up to the house plumbing, however, and this was where I was currently found myself in the process: needing to do the final plumbing.

Back at the plumbing store...

As I explained myself to the man behind the counter at the plumbing store, his eyes went wide and his jaw dropped a little; he was obviously torn between helping me out and calling Homeland Security to report that there was a wacko with kind, sensitive, hazel-colored eyes who was building a hippie IED in the Mimbres Valley. This was the type of thing that should only be attempted by a licensed plumber, and he was not about to make himself liable by giving out advice. He looked over his shoulder and said, “You did NOT hear this from me but...”

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What he was worried about was the pressure that would build up during the course of the day and a possible catastrophic, violent detonation resulting from the heating water expanding to the point of bursting the tanks. I thought I was okay because I was using a temperature/pressure blow-off valve, but I needed a second 'fail safe' device for an extra margin safety. My options were to use a small, in-line expansion tank or a separate, purpose-made secondary valve. I chose to go with the expansion tank, which was \$36 and I haven't had any problems. Asher has since amended his instruction to include a pressure tank, which has also recently become a code requirement in the area.

Stemming from my aversion to having to fix or rebuild things, my tendency is to overbuild anything I attempt and this can often hinder progress. In the case of the solar powered hot water heater however, I finally seemed to get some things right. I used my eclectic cabinet-making experience to streamline and reduce the size the box, angling the glass and exposing more of the tanks to the sun. I also used an elastomeric roof coating and roofing fabric to make a bombproof exterior. The jury is still out, but my preliminary observations suggest that my small design changes definitely work in this region. I have recorded water temperatures above 135°F on hot days and temperatures fifty degrees above the water coming out of the tap after consecutive cloudy days in the middle of winter.

Yes, consecutive cloudy days can reduce the availability of hot water, but the important thing to remember is the large amount of energy required to change the temperature of water. Even if you have water that is only lukewarm and you are pre-heating a standard water heater with it, you will be saving money on fuel. It is generally accepted that around 20% of the average home energy bill is attributed to heating water. To have something that just sits there quietly and saves you money is a no-brainer. I even installed an outdoor hot water spigot for dog washing and creating heated mud puddles for my daughter to play in. I'm still waiting to have to fill up my propane tank; I would normally have had to fill it up many months ago.



You may ask, 'why aren't more people doing this, and if it is such a great idea, why are you giving away this secret?' I think that most people don't have the time that it takes to build one of these things. I happened to have some time on my hands and some of the materials lying around, but it does take quite a bit of labor, some decent tools and a bit of skill. You have to find double paned windows, old water heaters that will need to be stripped of fittings, cleaned and painted black and you also need to be able to construct a relatively tight box and insulate it. You also need plumbing supplies. For my first unit, knowing my limits, I had Asher come up and help me with the install. He was willing to act as an advisor and only did a small amount of the total work, charging a fair price. I was so happy with it, I built a second unit for a different part of my compound and, with a little more attention to detail, better sealing and nicer used windows, I have recorded a ten to fifteen percent improvement over my first unit.

After talking with Asher, he decided to come and check out my design changes, which he believes have advantages and disadvantages. He was concerned with peak solar absorption during the shortest days of winter, but conceded it would be more effective during monsoon season with sunny mornings and cloudy afternoons. He went home and did some complicated math, then realized how much he hates complicated math. We agreed to keep records of the temperature performance and decide things that way. He was happy to report that he received an order for two more units over in Arizona for a customer who had bought some in the past. This customer lives 'off the grid' and says that the hot water heaters are performing better than some that were purchased from a retail operation.

The future of solar hot water is bright, with many people recognizing the benefits. I encourage anyone who is thinking about doing this to get started as soon as possible,



to begin to reap the tangible benefits. You may decide to buy an off-the-shelf unit, but if you go the cheaper, more labor intensive route using recycled materials, there is nothing more satisfying than sitting in a bathtub full

of free hot water, gazing out over The Black Range and cackling gleefully with the knowledge that you did it yourself. Don't ask me how I know.

What's Up in Health

Inflammation is in health news a lot now. Very generally speaking, inflammation is the body's immune system's response to an irritant. The irritant might be a germ, but it could also be a foreign object, such as a splinter in your finger. On the positive side, I was listening to a discussion on the radio about some new information that suggests that humans, at least in the United States, are cooling down. It seems that the average body temperature that we all know as 98.6 degrees and that our thermometers mark as normal is changing. The average temperature is getting cooler for many of us. The researchers are suggesting that it may be due to reduced inflammation in people's bodies. It seems that citizens living around the time of the Civil War had to deal with all kinds of infections & diseases that due to modern medicine and hygiene practices we no longer worry about. Those folks were plagued by almost constant inflammation as their bodies fought off the different health risks, and this effected their body temperature. We have less attacking us, so we are not in a constant state of inflammation and due to that our average body temperatures are dropping. But, on the negative side older folks' inflammation is still a problem. It can be chronic and contribute to many diseases such as hypertension, diabetes, atherosclerosis, and cancer.

Chronic low-grade inflammation is now considered one of the "pillars" of aging. There are many reasons for this, but there is strong evidence that how you eat can either help or hurt. Many of the foods you may have grown up on are now linked to causing inflammation in your body and, if you look closely, all the foods listed are processed and not natural except for red meats. The articles said, "Try to avoid" so having a juicy burger or steak once in a while might just be OK.

Foods that cause inflammation

Try to avoid or limit these foods as much as possible:

- ◆ **refined carbohydrates**, such as white bread and pastries
- ◆ **French fries** and other fried foods
- ◆ **soda** and other sugar-sweetened beverages
- ◆ **red meat** (burgers, steaks) and processed meat (hot dogs, sausage)
- ◆ **margarine**, shortening, and lard

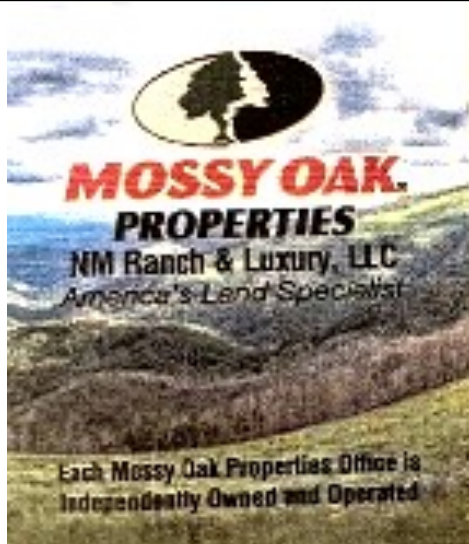
As I kept researching this topic there were these magic words that said that your diet could help you reduce this chronic inflammation. Wow, you can improve your health by what you eat!

Anti-inflammatory foods

An anti-inflammatory diet should include these foods:

- ◆ **tomatoes**
- ◆ **olive oil**
- ◆ **green leafy vegetables**, such as spinach, kale, and collards
- ◆ **nuts** like almonds and walnuts
- ◆ **fatty fish** like salmon, mackerel, tuna, and sardines
- ◆ **fruits** such as strawberries, blueberries, cherries, and oranges

I collected this information from Science Friday, a radio show on 1/24/2020 on NPR, from the National Institutes of Health website – InformedHealth.org and from The Harvard Health Newsletters. This article is for you to read, think about and discuss with your personal health professional.



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What can we Learn from a Census?

In 1714, Governor Juan Ignacio de Flores Mogolón established a settlement and named it for the patron Saint Lorenzo of Spain who died in Rome. By 1853, San Lorenzo had been given up to the Apaches. Nothing remains from that period.

The 1870 census of San Lorenzo listed 47 people. Of those, 18 were farmers and 10 were farm laborers. All but 2 were from Mexico or New Mexico. Emilio Mark, age 26, was from Bavaria. George O. Peralt, age 30, was from Canada. The oldest citizen was 59 and the youngest was age 1 month, Pedro Flores.

Fifteen women were living in San Lorenzo, all listed as "Keeping House." Of those fifteen, 4 women did not have a husband or brother of the same name. One can assume they were independent women, either farmers, widows or perhaps "keeping House" as in brothel owner and ladies of the night?

The 1870 census does not tell us where these citizens purchased supplies, worshipped, or went to a doctor.

The 2010 census recorded a population of 97 in San Lorenzo.



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Tarantulas By "The Bugman"

Last month's 'bug of the month' was the tarantula hawk, a large wasp whose immature stages feed on tarantulas. Well, I may have placed the cart before the horse by not first examining tarantulas. Tarantulas are very large spiders with a worldwide distribution. Several species occur in the southwestern United States with six found in New Mexico. In the Mimbres Valley, at least two species occur; the Texas brown tarantula (picture to the right) and Tucson bronze tarantula. Both species are similar in appearance and life histories. Females may reach 4" in diameter (including legs), while males are slightly smaller. Females are brown and black and rather stout, while males are less robust and mostly black.



Tarantulas live a solitary life inside silk-lined burrows in the ground. They are nocturnal hunters, either ambushing or stalking their prey, which is mostly comprised of grasshoppers, crickets, beetles and other insects. However, tarantulas may also consume small lizards and snakes. Once a prey item is found, the tarantula uses its fangs to inject venom which immobilizes the prey and slowly liquifies its contents. The spider then slurps up the 'bug soup'.

Male tarantulas are most often encountered in New Mexico in the late summer or early fall when they

leave their burrows to seek mates. When a female burrow is found, the male taps on silk threads at the entrance as if to say 'Honey, I'm here! If the female is interested, she'll exit her burrow and mate with the male. Once completed, the male can't sit back and take a rest but must quickly escape or be devoured. If the male successfully evades the female, he continues his search for additional mates. Mated females lay as many as 2000 eggs in a silken sac inside their burrow. The eggs hatch in a few weeks, and the young spiders (called spiderlings) hang with mom a few days before taking off to establish their own burrows. Female tarantulas live up to 30 years while males live only about 10.

Although tarantulas may appear to be quite dangerous, they are docile creatures that would rather hide than confront a human. However, if threatened, tarantulas may inflict a mildly venomous bite whose pain is comparable to that of a honeybee sting. In addition to their bite, tarantulas have a second line of defense – poisonous hairs. When confronted by a predator, tarantulas use their legs to hurl the hairs at their enemy. The hairs cause skin irritation similar to nettles and are difficult to remove due to barbed ends. So, besides watching out for a bite from your eight-legged friend, beware of their poisonous arrows!

THERE IS STILL TIME TO GET YOUR TAXES DONE FOR FREE ~ AARP SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE UNTIL APRIL 15TH

This year, tax returns will be prepared **by appointment only** at the following locations, dates and times.

Bayard Public Library

1112 Central Avenue
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Even if you do not need to file a tax return, you may be able to get a rebate from the State of New Mexico. You should probably make an appointment if you fall into one of the two categories below.

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Also, if you were 65 years of age or older in 2019, and you made less than \$16,000 in 2019, you may receive an additional property tax or rent rebate up to \$350 depending on the amount of your taxes or rent.

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ROUNDUP LODGE NOTES

Once again, the Lodge had a very busy month. The Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance was a great success. Everyone seemed to enjoy the food and had a great time dancing to the music of Mark Corker.

Just like February, March is booking up fast with community meetings and private and public events.

On March 5th, the Booster Club holds the monthly meeting to plan for the next few month's activities. Winter is almost over, so everyone will want to get out and do something. Come be a part of making fun things happen in the Mimbres. Pot luck starts at 5:30 pm followed by the meeting. Newcomers in the valley should come check us out. Everyone welcome.

Don't forget Bingo which is early this month—Sunday, March 8th. Remember, on March 8th Day Light Savings Time starts. Then on Saturday, March 14th one of the valley's favorites, Tom Freestone, will be entertaining at the monthly dance.

On Saturday, March 21st at 3:00 o'clock, archaeologist Marilyn Markel will give a talk on "Ancient Trails of the Mimbres: Macaws, Cocoa (Chocolate), and Pots." (See Page 4)

The next Saturday, March 28th, the Booster Club is teaming up with Asher Gilbert of Green Energy Now and conducting a Solar Hot Water workshop. The workshop will start at 9 am and continue most of the day, until 4:00 pm. Lunch provided. Space is limited, so be sure to register by March 14th. (See page 4.)

At the end of this workshop, the Roundup Lodge will be well on it's way to having a new solar hot water system. No more running out of hot water! Just another one of the improvements the Booster Club is making at Your Community Center.

TOM FREESTONE



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CASAS ADOBES WATER ASSOCIATION - March 19th - (usually the third Thursday in even numbered months, but they schedules this meeting as well) 6:30 p.m. Roundup Lodge, Acklin Hill Road.

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MIMBRES FARM BUREAU - March 12 - Monthly meetings 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) - Wednesday, March 11 - 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm (usually the 2nd Wednesday of the month) Roundup Lodge - Acklin Hill Road

MIMBRES VALLEY ROUNDUP LODGE BOOSTER CLUB - Roundup Lodge - Acklin Hill Road - Calendar of events.

BOOSTER CLUB MONTHLY MEETING. March 5 - 5:30 pm (First Thursday of the month) Pot luck followed by the meeting. Everyone welcome.

BINGO - March 8 - 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 \$75]

DANCE to the Music of Tom Freestone - Saturday, March 14 - 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm Come at 5:30 for free line dancing instructions Admission \$7, children Free - 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

Talk by archaeologist Marilyn Markel on "Ancient Trails of the Mimbres: Macaws, Cocoa (Chocolate), and Pots." **Saturday, March 21 at 3:00 pm** (See Page 4)

Solar Hot Water Workshop, Saturday, March 28—9:00 am to 4:00 pm \$20 Lunch Provided. (See Page 4)

MIMBRES VALLEY SENIOR CENTER - LUNCH DAILY - Monday - Friday NEW HOURS—LUNCH IS NOW AT 12 NOON Reservations are requested one day in advance. See Page 15 for daily menu. 575-536-9990

ACTIVITIES CALENDAR - See Page 15

EXERCISE FOR SENIORS -Every Tuesday and Thursday - 10:30 am Stretching and light weight lifting. For information call Thelma Melvin 536-2899

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AL-ANON WEDNESDAY EVENING 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 575-313-7891

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 AUXILIARY - 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 - March 11 (usually the 2nd WEDNESDAYS of the month) at 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 Swan - parking on Cactus** enter at NW door.

BAYARD PUBLIC LIBRARY - NEW TEMPORARY HOURS - Monday - noon to 5 pm, Tuesday through Friday - 9 am to 5 pm - CLOSED on Saturday and Sunday. 1112 Central Avenue, Bayard. 575-537-6244

BOOKMOBILE WEST SCHEDULE -Thursday, March 19

Mimbres - Living Harvest Bakery 9:45 am - 10:45 am

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GRANT COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY - - Wednesday, March 18 - (3rd Weds of the month) - 6:00 PM Meetings will be held from October to April at the Club House on Memory Lane in Silver City. Call Marilyn Markel 536-9337 for more information.

GRANT COUNTY ROLLING STONES GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY - Thursday, March 12 - (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, March 21- 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 575-313-7891

SILVER CITY MUSEUM - Tuesday - Friday 9 am to 4:30 pm. Saturday and Sunday - 10 am to 4 pm, 312 West Broadway. Museum Admission is free; \$5 suggested donation.

For more information, please contact the museum at (575) 538-5921 education@silvercitymuseum.org, or visit the museum's website: www.silvercitymuseum.org volunteercoordinator@silvercitymuseum.org or 575-597-0229.

SILVER CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON MEETING - Thursday, March 5 - (Usually 1st Thursday of the month) **NEW Meeting Site:** The Conference Center at 3031 US-180, Silver City - 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.

SILVER CITY FOOD CO-OP - Calendar of Events contact the Food Co-op at 575-388-2343 or www.silvercityfoodcoop.coop for information about any event.

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SILVER CITY PHOTO CLUB - No time or date available, Call 860-670-4543 for information - Unitarian Universalist Meeting House, 3845 North Swan Street in Silver City. Meetings are free, but donations to help out our host venue are appreciated.

SILVER ROOKS CHESS CLUB - Chess Tournaments, February 8, March 14, April 4, and May 9. 10 am to 2 pm Anyone interested in chess, go to www.silverrooks.blogspot.com for details and to sign up.

TOPS in SILVER CITY #0280, Every Thursday, Weigh-in 5 pm - 5:30 pm. Meeting at 5:30 pm. First Presbyterian Church, 1915 North Swan. For more information, call Jan Bever 303-902-8236

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

WIDOWED AND SINGLE PERSONS OF GRANT COUNTY – Monday, March 9th - Sign in at 10:30 am - (second Monday of each month) Cross Point Assembly of God church. Cost of lunch is \$12. All singles are welcome. Entertainment will be by Harpist, Karen Nelson For information call 575-537-3643

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 information call 575-313-7891

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WOMEN IN RANCHING

As part of the ongoing ranching exhibit at the Silver City Museum, a panel discussion was held on Saturday, February 22, at the Silco Theater on Women in Ranching: Past and Future.

Two prominent ranching women were asked to lead the panel discussion on how the hard work and business savvy that early Grant County women used to safeguard the well-being of their families and expand roles for women throughout society.

Mimbres own third generation rancher, Joann Miller, was asked to be on the panel as well as Jessica Swapp. Jessica wears many hats: Grant County Extension Agent, 4H/AG, and New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service.

To an audience of about 40 people, Joann spoke of her family's ranching history and how the role of women in ranching today isn't much different than in the past. Women still ride and help gather the herd, help with the branding, cooking and packing a lunch to feed the cowboys.

However, even today, the chores are pretty much the same, but there have been a lot of changes. "For instance, we don't have to drive the cattle; we have trailers



Ranching in the Past



Joann Miller and Jessica Swapp

to ship them... Another change, when the windmill goes down, we replace it with solar power... But, we still ride horseback to gather the cattle. It's a great life."

Jessica presented statistics on the number of men vs. women in the ranching / agriculture industry. In Grant County, 44% of producers are female.

Joann and Jessica answered questions from the audience on many topics, ranging from "how did the old-time ranchers feed people in the winter-time" to "grazing cattle on public land" to the "importance of brands to ranchers."

Jessica has recently begun a podcast called the "Grant County Extension Connection" which explores through interviews the role of ranching in the community. Listen to her podcasts at www.buzzsprout.com. You can also listen on your mobile device on: Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify, Stitcher, TuneIn, iHeart Radio, plus many more! Just search for "Grant County Extension Connection." Remember to hit that subscribe button so you will be notified as soon as a new episode comes out!



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San Lorenzo Mission
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 Third Sunday of every month
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LOCAL CHURCHES

MIMBRES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2622 Highway 35, Mimbres
 (Next to the Senior Citizen's Center)

Pastor Janet Whitmore has returned
 from retirement to replace Pastor
 Gene McPeak who moved to Abilene

We invite you to join us for
 Sunday Morning Worship at 10 a.m.

Mimbres United Methodist Church
 has a box on Highway 35 in which
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 will seek the Lord's help on behalf of
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Youth Group

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SENIOR CENTER MENU

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MARCH 2020

MILK IS SERVED DAILY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	3	4	5	6
Chicken Noodle Soup	Taco Salad	Meatloaf	Pepperoni Pizza	Egg Salad Sandwich
Lima Beans	Spanish Rice	Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Mixed Squash	Baked Chips
Carrots	Squash	Peas & Carrots	Tossed Salad	Carrots & Celery
Biscuit	Saltine Crackers	Dinner Roll	Pineapple	Slice Bread
Mandarin Oranges	Apple	Apple	Cottage Cheese	Peanut Butter Cookie
9	10	11	12	13
Oven Fried Chicken	Green Chile Chicken	Baked Fish	Tater Tot Casserole	Bean Burrito
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Enchiladas	Rice Pilaf	California Vegetables	Enchilada Style
Spinach	Lettuce & Tomato	Broccoli	Tossed Salad	Spanish Rice
Dinner Roll	Pinto Beans	Breadstick	Dinner Roll	Cucumber & Tomato Salad
Banana Pudding	Spanish Rice	Sliced Pears	Peaches	Orange
	Peaches	Yogurt		
16	17	18	19	20
Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce	 Chicken Fajita	Chicken Tenders	Lasagna	Chile Beans w/ Cheese
Streamed Broccoli & Carrots	Cauliflower	Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Tossed Salad	Tossed Salad
Breadstick	Fruit Cocktail	Mixed Vegetables	Italian Vegetables	Cornbread
Spice Cake	Oatmeal Cookie 	Dinner Roll	Breadstick	Strawberries
		Peaches	Sliced Pears	Ice Cream
23	24	25	26	27
Baked Chicken	Paprika Baked Fish	Pigs In A Blanket	Green Chile Cheeseburger	Tuna Salad Sandwich
Zucchini	Corn & Peppers	Spinach Salad	Lettuce/Tomato/Onion/Pickle	Cucumber & Tomato Salad
Broccoli w/ Cheese	Breadstick	Corn Salsa	Peas & Carrots	Graham Crackers
Dinner Roll	Yogurt	Peanut Butter Cookie	Applesauce	Orange
Banana	Pears			
30	31			
Grilled Cheese Sandwich	Beef Tacos			HMS Senior Centers
Ham & Bean Soup	Lettuce & Tomato			Ena Mitchell 542-9414
Tossed Salad	Pinto Beans			Silver City 388-2545
Apple	Spanish Rice			Santa Clara 537-5254
	Fruit Cocktail			Gila 535-2888
				Mimbres 536-9990

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SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

There is no charge for any of the listed activities

LUNCH IS SERVED DAILY (Monday through Friday) 12:00 NOON

Dominos
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Advisory Council
Puzzles

Mon - Fri
Mon - Fri
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Mon - Fri

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FOREST SERVICE NEWS



Free Wood Chips Available on Wilderness Ranger District

The Gila National Forest, Wilderness Ranger District is pleased to announce that wood chips are available again this year. The wood chips are a residue from the Gatton's Park Collaborative Forest Restoration Program.

The wood chips are free, and you do not need a permit. We recommend loading during daylight hours. **You must be able to load your own chips and please remember to cover the load.** They are available at the mouth of Lincoln Canyon FSR 4079T off NM Hwy 35 between mile marker 16 and 17, near the old GOS ranch.

Free Days at the Catwalk

As part of the 2020 Fee-Free days, the Catwalk Recreation Area in Glenwood, NM will waive the day-use fee at the entry area. Upcoming scheduled fee-free days are National Get Outdoors Day on June 6, National Public Lands Day on September 26, and Veterans Day weekend on November 13-15. This program is offered in cooperation with other federal land management agencies under the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act.

Volunteer Camp Hosts Needed

The Gila National Forest Silver City Ranger District is looking for a volunteer camp host beginning April 1, 2020.

The Silver City Ranger District host would be stationed at Gomez Peak and Little Walnut day use areas – just six miles outside of Silver City. Amenities provided include a pull-through campsite, water, electricity, phone, sewer and propane.

Please contact Brian Martinez at 575-388-8301 or email at brian.martinez@usda.gov.

Pile Burning Planned for Wilderness Ranger District in Mimbres

The Wilderness Ranger District is planning to burn piles through the winter and spring as weather conditions permit.

The plans for the Wilderness RD pile burns include the following locations:

- ♦ Off NM Hwy 35 near Desert West Auction
- ♦ Lake Roberts off Forest Drive and Forest Service Road (FSR) 4206M
- ♦ Off NM Hwy 35 behind Camp Thunderbird

- ♦ Off NM Hwy 35 near mile marker 16, along FSR 4085Y
- ♦ Off NM Hwy 35 along Lincoln Canyon Road, FSR 4079T
- ♦ Off NM Hwy 35 by the Old GOS Ranch
- ♦ Between Lincoln and Terry Canyon along FSR 4202K and 4202L
- ♦ Administrative sites

Smoke will be monitored to ensure that the New Mexico Environment Department's Air Quality Bureau regulations are being met. Smoke-sensitive individuals and those with respiratory or heart disease should take precautionary measures. Air quality information and health protection measures are posted online at the New Mexico Department of Health's website: <https://nmtracking.org/environment/air/FireAndSmoke.html>.

Gila National Forest receiving inquiries on proposed Wild and Scenic River designation

Recently the Gila National Forest has received inquiries regarding proposed legislation, currently under consideration, for the purpose of designating certain rivers for inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

As required by the 2012 Planning Rule, the Gila National Forest conducted a Wild and Scenic Rivers eligibility study. That study was released as an appendix to the Draft revised Forest Plan, however none of the eligible rivers have been recommended to Congress for designation.

The legislation currently being developed by the U.S. Senators from New Mexico is separate from, and not directly related to, the forest plan revision process and is not within the jurisdiction of the USDA Forest Service.

To access information regarding the *M.H. Dutch Salmon Great Gila Wild and Scenic River Act Discussion draft* can be found at <https://www.tomudall.senate.gov/gila>. You will find an opportunity to provide feedback on this page. Information on how to contact the congressional staff can be found at <https://www.tomudall.senate.gov/contact>.

Information regarding the Gila National Forest draft revised land management plan can be found on the plan revision website at <http://go.usa.gov/h88k>, including information on how to provide substantive comments on the plan. The final deadline to provide comments is April 16, 2020.

For information on the Gila National Forest, check out our website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/gila> or join the conversation on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Climate Change at the Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument

By Ralph J. Yehle

Retired statistician from Minnesota Department of Human Services and
volunteer in the parks (VIP) at Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument

There's an automated weather station* behind the visitor center at the Gila Cliff Dwellings and it provides data on temperatures and precipitation going back 20-years. A simple data analysis shows striking changes in the temperatures recorded for daily minimums. The high temperatures daily records didn't produce obvious patterns, and neither did relative humidity or wind speeds, or annual first or last killing frost dates. Changes in precipitation amounts and frequency were noted.

The average number of days with a low of 26 Fahrenheit or less for the whole 20-year period was 130 days per year. Looking at just the last five years the average for that period was 110 days, for the last five-years 2015-2019 averaging 20 fewer days per year with recorded temperatures 26 degrees Fahrenheit or lower. Looking at average daily lows for the winter months of November to March, temperatures recorded showed four of the last five-years, 2015-2019 to have been the warmest or highest low temperature years in the 20-year weather records.

Precipitation events show a consistency with expected climate change shifts. Four of the last five years experienced fewer than the 20-year average for precipitation event days, and four of the last five years precipitation events averaged a higher amount of precipitation per event than the twenty-year average. More rain/snow per event, fewer events.

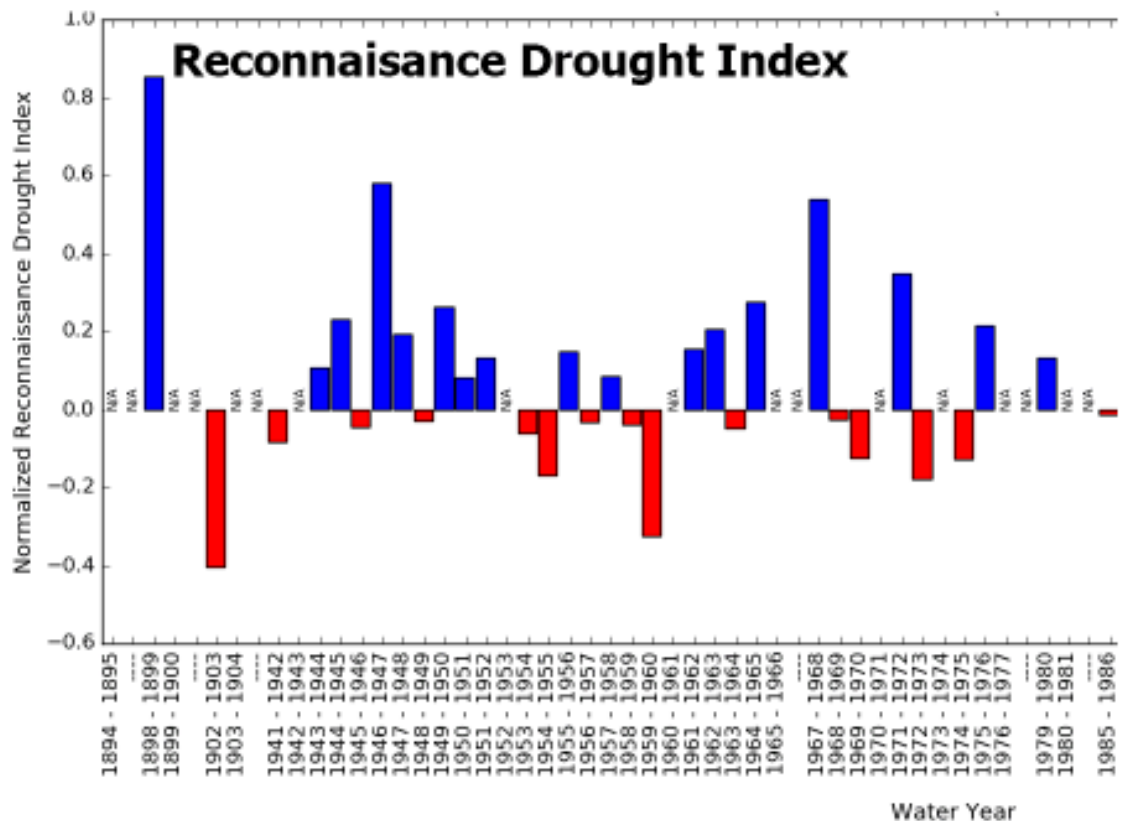
These findings could just be weather anomalies. I suppose it can be argued, however there were no other periods in the rather short weather record that show such consistency as I've reported above.

* http://www.climateanalyzer.org/sonoran_desert/raws/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/gila_center/daily_table

This is just one of the many interesting graphs that I found for the Gila Region. You can also select from tables, charts or graphs.

You can select the region (many other regions besides the Gila to pick choose). You can select the year(s), whether you want temperature or rainfall data, etc.

There is lots and lots of raw data here, Have fun!



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The fourteenth in our series highlighting New Mexico National Parks and Monuments
By Marilyn Markel

Aztec Ruins National Monument is on the north bank the Animas River near the town of Aztec, New Mexico, in the far northwest corner of the state. The site was declared a National Monument on January 24th, 1923. Aztec Ruins became a World Heritage Site in 1987. Built around 1100 AD, the site is similar to sites of the Chaco Culture, in Chaco Canyon and surrounding areas. Aztec was occupied by Chacoan-like

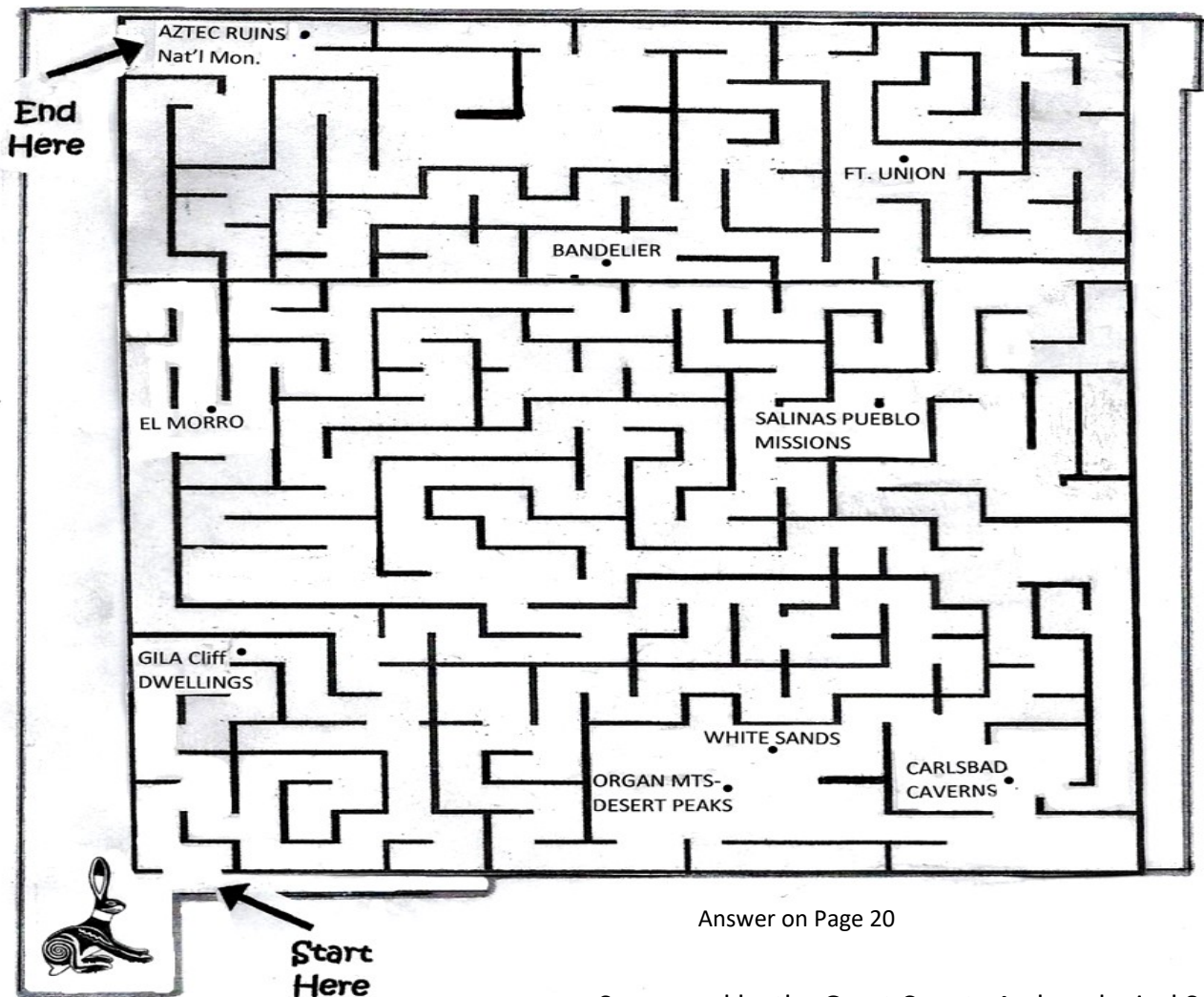


people until the mid-1100s, left vacant for a few decades, then re-occupied by people from the Northern San Juan area (Mesa Verdeans) during the 1200s.

Though named "Aztec", the site was built by the Anasazi or Ancestral Puebloan People and not the ancient Aztecs that lived in Mexico. The archaeologist Earl Morris excavated areas of the site in the early 1900s. Morris rebuilt the Great Kiva for visitors to enjoy.

Aztec Ruins National Monument Activity

An-Maze-ing New Mexico Maze



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TERRIFIC KID AWARDS

San Lorenzo elementary school students were honored by the Kiwanis Club of Silver City in February for demonstrating a positive attitude, good character, and responsible citizenship were honored by the Kiwanis Club of Silver City. Each

student receives a certificate and a bag of goodies including a bumper sticker, pencil, book mark, etc.

Those honored are:

Back, Dezia Crumbly, Aiden Wood, Atilyn Die-drick, Delilah Romo, and Cheyenne Johnson.

Front, Ryan Hickman, Remington Bonnett, Jhericho Gutierrez, and Lilly Pinkerton.



Aldo Leopold Students Teach About Archaeology

Photos by Catalina Claussen

Aldo Leopold Charter School Youth Conservation Corps Archaeology Crew spent a day of education and fun at San Lorenzo Elementary. The Aldo students taught the San Lorenzo students about the ancient Mimbrenño Indians that once lived in the Mimbres Valley. The kids made pottery out of clay, whirled a bullroarer to "call in the rain", sketched pieces of Mimbres black and white pottery, and put together pottery piece puzzles.





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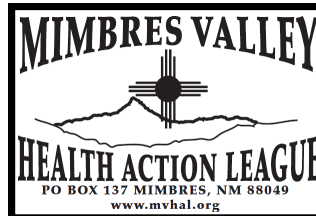
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Farmers' Market
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Commodities Distribution
The San Lorenzo Children's Garden

WEDNESDAY - Wednesday, March 11 - 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm.

MVHAL. Board Meeting. Roundup Lodge, 91 Acklin Hill Road.

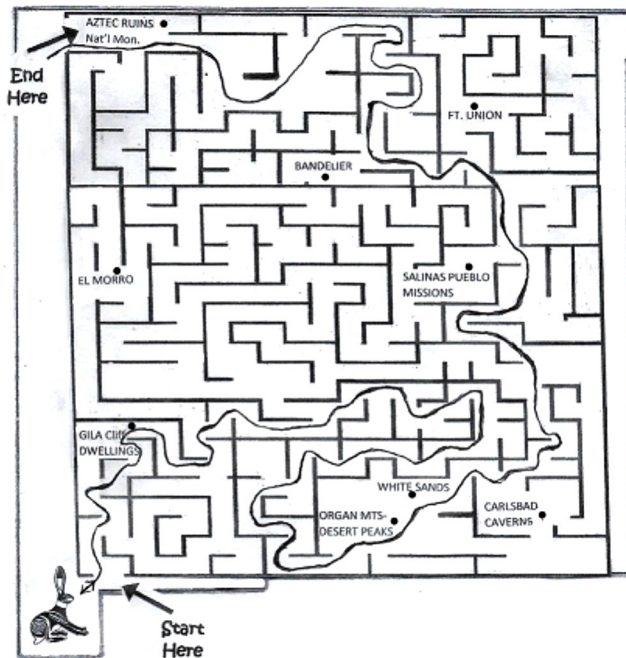
WEDNESDAY, Wednesday, March 18 - Noon to 2 pm

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

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Monument Maze



Dawn Gray will be collecting donations of art books and videos for the lending library being formed by the Grant County Art Guild. Donations can be brought to the Art Guild Gallery in the Hester House building in Silver City. She will also accept them at commodities distribution on the third Wednesday of the month or at the Mimbres Booster Club meeting on the first Thursday of the month at 5:30 (both at the Roundup Lodge). The Grant Co. Art Guild is a 501(c)(3) organization.



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