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COCHISE COUNTY EVENTS IN MAY AND JUNE

COCHISE COUNTY, Ariz. (April 13, 2009) – Visitors to southeastern Arizona will find events as diverse as the landscape in May and June. **Benson** bound travelers can take a seven-mile drive down Highway 80 to **Holy Trinity Monastery's** annual **Fiesta de la Primavera** in St. David. **Bisbee** celebrate its pride and gems with the annual **Bisbee Pride**, the **Bisbee Gem & Mineral Show** and a lodging tour of unique accommodations. Motorcycle riders can take part in the **Border to Border Cinco de Mayo Run** in **Douglas**. Sierra Vista commemorates **International Migratory Bird Day**. Tombstone hosts the **Sabaar Shriner's Sweet Onion Festival** as well as the **Tombstone Gem & Mineral Show**. **Willcox** residents show off their autos with the **Willcox Rod & Classic Car Show**.

May 1-3, Festival of the Southwest, Sierra Vista

Carnival rides, food booths and more!

When: Fri., 4-11 p.m., Sat. & Sun., noon-5 p.m.

Where: Veterans Memorial Park

Admission:

Info: 520-538-0836

May 8 & 9, Border to Border Cinco de Mayo Run, Douglas

If you like motorcycles, this is the place for you! Bike show, car show, raffles and drawings, plus a poker crawl make for a rousing weekend at the border. Street dancing on Friday evening will feature *Déjà vu*, and Elvis will appear on Saturday.

When: Border to Border run: 9 a.m.; Street Dancing: Friday, 8-Midnight

Where: Gadsden Hotel, Douglas

Admission: Free Rally; small fee for specific events

Info: 520-364-4481 or 520-234-3901

May 9, International Migratory Bird Day, Sierra Vista

With talks, walks, exhibitions and children's events, visitors can learn about birds, beavers, wildlife and native plantings. The Gray Hawk Nature Center will showcase a variety of snakes and lizards. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the San Pedro River, the Sonoran Joint Venture, Coronado National Forest, Cochise County Master Gardeners and the Bureau of Land Management.

When: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Where: San Pedro House, 9800 Hwy 90 at the San Pedro River

Admission: Free

Info: 520-459-2555

May 9 & 10, Holy Trinity Monastery Fiesta de la Primavera, St. David

The Holy Trinity Monastery will be having their spring festival on Mother's Day. There will be more than 150 arts and crafts booths plus entertainment and food.

When: Sat., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Holy Trinity Monastery, St. David

Admission: Free

Info: 520 720-4642 ext 22 or <http://www.holytrinitymonastery.org>

May 22-24, Bisbee Gem and Mineral Show, Bisbee

Queen Mine Tour. Gems and minerals from many regions will be on display in historic Bisbee. Call 520-432-2071 or go to www.queenminetour.com

When: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., May 22-24

Where: Queen Mine Tour

Admission: Free

Info: 520-432-2217

May 23-25, Wyatt Earp Days, Tombstone

Gunfight reenactments fill the streets, along with a chili cook-off, hangings, street entertainment, look-alike contests and an 1880's fashion show.

When: 10 a.m., May 23-25

Where: Historic downtown Tombstone

Admission: Free

Info: 520-457-3511

May 30 & 31, Willcox Rod & Classic Car Show, Willcox

The 3rd annual car show will be held in the Willcox Historic District on Railroad Ave. For information contact the Willcox Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture at 520-384-2272 or the Rex Allen Museum at 520-384-4583 or info@rexallmuseum.org.

June 6 & 7, Doors Wide Open Bisbee Lodging Tour, Bisbee

Take a tour of Bisbee's unique lodging facilities and amazing Victorian architecture, a two-day event sponsored by the Bisbee Chamber of Commerce.

When: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Where: Downtown Bisbee

Admission: \$10

Info: 520-432-5421 or www.bisbearizona.com

June 12-14, GLBT Pride Weekend, Bisbee

Spend the weekend in Bisbee, and celebrate your pride. Three exciting, fun-filled days include a street fair, leather and lace ball, pool party, music, dancing and other activities.

When: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Where: Downtown Bisbee

Admission: Free

Info: 520-236-3699 or www.bisbeepride.com.

June 19-21, Sabaar Shriner's Tombstone Sweet Onion Festival, Tombstone

Enjoy a weekend with parades, costume contest, music, Taste of Tombstone and the crowning of the Onion Queen for 2009!

When: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Where: Allen Street, Tombstone

Admission: Free

Info: 520-457-9327 or email rocking-b@peoplepc.com

June 20 & 21, Tombstone Gem Show, Tombstone

An exhibition featuring gems, jewelry, mineral specimens and fossils. Great for jewelers, hobbyists and collectors.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Holiday Inn Express

Admission: Free

Info: 1-800-457-3929 or info@tombstonechamber.com

Located in southeastern Arizona, Cochise County is one of the most culturally, historically and geographically diverse areas in the American Southwest. Its legendary communities—Benson, Bisbee, Douglas, Tombstone, Sierra Vista and Willcox—were strategically located less than a day's journey by stagecoach and are now just a short drive from one another.

For more information about Cochise County, contact the Cochise County Tourism Council at 1-800-862-5273 or visit their website at www.explorecochise.com.

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