

December

Saturday, December 1st, Cruzin' Car Show, 9:00 a.m./Noon, To be held in the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church parking lot. No entry fee; Proceeds/Donations to benefit GCUMC's Sofie's Start Ministry that provides skills and support that helps families move from crisis to independence. Please direct any questions to larry@rmev.com.

Saturday, December 1st, Community Garage Sale! BUY AND SELL!, 7:00 a.m./1:00 p.m., Bring your treasures to Gold Canyon Community Church south parking lot, sell them and make money. No need to reserve a spot; Just bring your own tables/racks to set-up your sale; Suggested \$10 donation goes to the church. Questions? Lynda Hammond Lynda@GarageSaleGal.com at (480)242-1475.

Saturday December 1st, 17 Annual Montesa Arts & Crafts Sale, 8:00 a.m./1:00 p.m., At Montesa Hall, 7373 E. Us Hwy 60, Gold Canyon, AZ 85118 (Next door to the Fire Department). There will be 55 tables and over 40 vendors, many unique crafts, original designs, and one of a kind items. Admission is free. Enjoy coffee, donuts and lunch available for purchase.

Sunday, December 2nd, Artist of the Superstitions, "Fine Art Holiday Show", 9:00 a.m./3:00 p.m., A diverse selection of artwork -- ceramics, fabric, fiber, glass, gourds, jewelry, painting, photography, woodworking, and more will be represented by local members whose art will be presented at the show. In addition to the fine art show, a collection of canned goods and/or money will be accepted for the Apache Junction Food Bank to assist the less fortunate in our community. This event will be at the Gold Canyon Golf Resort located at 6100 Kings Ranch Road in Gold Canyon. Look for access to the courtyard area just beyond the entrance to the golf course. Information is also available at their website www.artistsofthesuperstitions.com.

Wednesday, December 5th, Garden Walk, 9:00 a.m., Stroll the gardens of Smiling Dog Landscapes with the owner, Tom McDonald, and learn what plants thrive in our Sonoran Desert landscape. This is an opportunity to ask the expert and discover how to keep your plants looking beautiful and healthy! 90 minutes. All classes are held outdoors and are free of charge. Space is limited to 16 participants per class. Call 480 288 8749 or email info@smilingdoglandscapes.com to reserve your seat.

Saturday, December 8th, Superstition Holidays Boutique, 9:00 a.m./4:00 p.m., Free event. Bring the family and roam the grounds looking at the Christmas decorations, the g-scale model railroad, the stamp mill demos at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., and the browse the tables full with goods from artists, crafters and vendors with artists, crafters, and vendors' goods. The museum is located at 4087 North Apache Trail. For additional details: www.superstitionmountainmuseum.org or call 480-983-4888.

Saturday December 8th, Superstition Mountain Astronomical League Star Party, 6:30 – 9:00 p.m., The Superstition Mountain Astronomical League is hosting a series of open house public astronomical observing sessions and demonstrations, commonly called "star parties", to supplement public education, to provide the community with telescopic views of celestial objects and to answer questions about astronomy and astronomical equipment. In short, this is an opportunity to see the moon, planets, stars, star clusters, galaxies and other astronomical phenomena using sophisticated telescopes and to talk with very knowledgeable and experienced amateur astronomers. This event will be at Lost Dutchman State Park. All events are held on a *Weather Permitting* basis. To be notified of any schedule changes/additions and for detail information including maps and directions, or to contact us, please visit supermtnastro.com.

Saturday, December 8th, 17th Annual Choral Christmas Concerts, Two performances 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., With Bells, Brass, and more. Everyone is asked to bring a nonperishable food item for the

Gold Canyon Food Bank. Church is located at 6640 S. Kings Ranch Road. For more information contact GCUMC (480) 928-3776 or visit www.goldcanyonumc.org.

Wednesday, December 12th, Irrigation Class, 9:00 a.m., Tom McDonald and Bill Roe walk participants through the basics of your landscape irrigation system including clock setting, the frequency of watering and small system repairs. 2 ½ hours. Space is limited to 16 participants per class. Call 480 288 8749 or email info@smilingdoglandscapes.com to reserve your seat.

Friday, December 14th, Harp Fusion, 7:30 p.m. Returning by popular demand. Such a unique sound. The highly innovative and largest harp ensemble in the world fuses many styles and cultures in their repertoire including, Classical, Jazz, New Age, and Folk. In addition to beautiful standards, music is written/arranged by group members. Enjoy a special holiday season concert. Harpists come from several countries to perform in this unique ensemble. They have toured throughout world. Presented by the Gold Canyon Arts Council, Canyon Sounds at the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church, 6640 S. Kings Ranch Rd. Contact Canyon Rose Storage for tickets and information (480) 983-2171.

Friday & Saturday, December 14th & 15th, Gift Wrapping To Benefit Animal Rescue, 11:00 a.m./3:00 p.m., Canyon Rose is partnering with FOR THE ANIMALS (FTA), a Gold Canyon based non-profit dedicated to animal rescue and recovery, to offer holiday gift wrapping free with any donation to the cause. Volunteer wrappers from (FTA) will be at here with a wide selection of boxes (or bring your own), wrapping paper, ribbons and bows to choose from. We'll wrap anything and everything with any donation to FOR THE ANIMALS. Donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law and 98% of every dollar goes to local animal rescue and recovery efforts.

Saturday, December 15th, Painting Classes for Everyone with Charles Davison in the Lecture Room, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Boyce Thompson Arboretum. Ever wanted to try your hand with a brush and canvas or you just need to fine tune your skills? Enroll in one of these painting classes with accomplished local artist Chuck Davison. They're affordably priced at \$35 for Members: \$50 Non-Members. Taught in the air-conditioned lecture room of the historic Smith Building, enrollment includes canvas, paint, brushes, embellishments - plus light refreshments. Children are welcome to register along with an adult chaperone; both must be registered and pre-paid for the class. To register call or text the instructor directly at 602-618-3055. For more information visit <http://ag.arizona.edu/bta/events.html> or call (520) 689-2811. You may also email: BTainfo@ag.arizona.edu.

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Monday, December 24th, Multiple Christmas Services for the Entire Family,

Family Christmas Eve Service, 3:00 p.m. Lots of kids, Energy and Candlelighting.

Gift of Music, 5:30 & 7:30 p.m., ½ hour of special Christmas music.

Traditional Christmas Eve Worship, 6:00 & 8:00 p.m., With Choir, Bells and Candlelighting.

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