

Bouse Community newsletter

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From The Chamber of Commerce



Bouse Chamber Of Commerce
& Bouse Museum

Mother Nature's summer monsoon changed our plans a little for this year. To kick off the season, we'll be working to repair wind and water damage to get our premises back in order.

You may have noticed the

benches at the Camp Bouse Monument grounds have been replaced with new ones in the Spring. The old ones, recently restored, found their new home on the corner at the Museum grounds under the trees. Both areas make a nice place for walkers and joggers to take a break.

Our first Chamber meeting will be Monday, Oct 3, 6pm at the Booster Hall. Come on down and bring your ideas! We're always looking for ways to up our game on current activities and events and welcome your input for old and new ones. There's a lot on our plate this season and we need your support to keep things rolling. Dues are only \$10 for individuals, \$25 for business. Most of our participation comes from individuals like you and me who want to keep our community a safe and fun place to live.

The Swap Meet will begin on Friday, Oct 21, and resume the 1st and 3rd Fridays through March. Vendors may contact John Bennett to reserve their spot at 928-575-7727. New vendors are welcome; spots are \$10 (half) and \$15. Set up begins at 6am, show opens at 8am.

Our season raffle is another Henry Golden Boy 22 rifle. A fine gun for ladies or gents. Get your tickets at the Swap Meet or Museum, \$5 each, 5 for \$20. All proceeds go to our Bouse Chamber Community Projects.

By popular demand, we'll be doing 3 Camp Bouse Breakfast Tours: Nov 19, Dec 30, Feb 25. Numbers are limited; reserve your spot now for any of the 3 tours. 928-851-2509.

As always, we look forward to seeing you at our events for this season. Pick up your Chamber Season Event Schedule at the Swap Meet, Museum, or businesses around town.

Huge thanks go out to La Paz County and ADOT for approval and completion of the left turn lane at Hwy 72 and Yellowbird. That has been a safety hazard for many years for westbound vehicles. ADOT has also come to our aid to reduce the speeding through town by installing blinking lights as the limit drops to 45 as well as striping the highway accordingly. We're continuing efforts to make our 3 mile corridor through town safe.

Looking forward to another great season!
Harley Kruidhof, President

Bouse Boosters Club

Let me be one of the first to welcome everyone to this season at the Bouse Booster Club and Bouse surrounding areas. To those that spent the summer, wahoo! You survived the heat, winds and much needed rain. I hope no property was damaged too severely.

The Booster Club is where people gather to socialize, quilt, craft, and Bingo! Come rub shoulders with us at one of our meetings, breakfast or one of our Thrift Sale Fridays. We would love to have you join us.

Memberships are \$5 per year or \$10 couple or lifetime is \$25 single or \$50 couple. We would love to have you as a new volunteer. If you are arty and crafty would you like to teach a class? We would love to support you. Would someone like to start an afternoon of cards?

Bingo will start Nov. 3; Breakfast Nov. 14; and Roadkill Café Nov. 17. We plan to do community Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. We plan to add a chair exercise class probably 8AM on Wednesdays before Quilting.

If you have questions shoot me a text at 605-929-2457; my phone does not accept calls from numbers not in my directory. I and the Booster Club officers and Board look forward to meeting/seeing you in 2022/2023.

Lisa Carroll, President

WELCOME BACK!



All our winter Visitors

2022 SEASON 2023



Bouse Museum

Last year was a busy year at the Museum for Jeff and Carolyn, our new caretakers. If you haven't been to the Museum last season to see

the new things that have been added, you've missed the results of a lot of their innovation and efforts to provide more displays and services for our guests.

"Thanks to the Ghost Riders for sharing their trail maps, we now have them on display digitally at the Museum as well as have some printed ones available for distribution," said Jeff, with a smile. "And we've received some interesting items to add to our physical displays from local donations."

And they've both been busy transferring historic papers and photos—that have been available only in drawers and books in the past—to digital files that can now be viewed onscreen by our guests.

A big thank you to Jeff and Carolyn! And we're happy to announce they are "official" Bouse homeowners! Welcome Home.

Red Ribbon Week Expands Activities

Kickoff for Red Ribbon Week is our Bouse parade Oct 22 and ends Spirit Week Oct 30 with Parker's Family Fun Day. Please plan to support us by gathering with friends to build an entry to join the parade fun decorating your SxS, ATVs, Car, Boat, Jeep. It can be simple, it can be whatever you like.

This year's theme Seas the Day! Live Drug Free! #Yeah Buoy! is nautical as shown above. If you can't do an entry, at least pick a good spot to watch the parade and cheer the kids and others on! Invite your neighbors over for coffee if you're on the parade route. It's a way to meet new folks as well as a great cause to show your support to keep our kids off drugs.

This year's week long activities include online contests the kids can enter each day wearing the designated costume of the day: Monday – Shades and Sunblock (Sunglass Day); Tuesday – One Fish, Two Fish (Twin Day); Wear Red Wednesday; Thursday is Crazy Captain Day (Hat Day); Friday – Day at the Beach. Check with the school if you need more info.

Parade route will include: all streets parallel with Hwy 72 between the Highway to Norris. Line up starts at 9am at the Booster Club, Parade starts at 9:30 west on Frame to McMahan, right to Stone, right to Murphy, right on Frame, left on Main to left on Norris, to left on Murphy, then left on Frame back to Booster Club.

Thank you for supporting our Red Ribbon Parade and the Kids! Red Ribbon week is a national program to keep kids from using drugs.



Monsoon Plays Havoc at Bouse

Two mid-August storms ripped through parts of Bouse leaving behind relocated signs and vehicles, parts of roofs, at least one semi-trailer blown on its side, uprooted trees and mangled flagpoles, flooded washes, rocks, and debris in the streets, and riverbeds on our properties once it subsided. The historic A & C Mercantile was severely damaged (Sadly, beyond repair I suspect).

It happened two Wednesdays in a row!

Folks were busy putting things back together and cleaning up from the first when it hit again. . . only two times harder. Reports of rainfall from 3-5 inches in various parts of the Bouse area were announced by TV and radio from the storm on August 24. It measured 4" in our wheelbarrow in the yard.

Thanks go out to La Paz County, who had lots of equipment here at the end of Yellowbird working on the turn lane, for their quick response. They sent a grader or two to start clearing mud, rocks, and debris from the roads and dump trucks bringing in dirt to start filling and repairing washed out roadsides Thursday morning. The worst was over, but the work still goes on. A lot of damage was done, but is all fixable.

Thankfully, no one was injured, everyone is safe. Life is good.

Welcome Wheels & Deals

Though they haven't gotten their sign yet, new owner, Joaquin Mondragon Ruiz and son Joshua are ready to serve you at the Bouse Tire location. They've added new equipment and offer more mechanic work and tire service, lube, oil changes, and brakes, in addition to a larger inventory of tires in stock.

Joaquin and wife Rosie have lived in Bouse for 17 years, raising 4 kids all schooled in Bouse and Salome while he built and worked with heavy equipment. Son Daniel will be joining them as business grows.

Stop in and meet the guys to take care of your service needs.

Emergency Road Service is available 24/7, Joaquin 928-612-8853, Joshua 928-612-8866.

New Monthly Ladies Luncheon

Bouse ladies get together for lunch, social fun, and a guest presentation on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. It all started this spring when Julie Riffe went to a ladies' luncheon in Quartzsite and brought the idea home to Bouse, talked to John at the Ocotillo to put it all together and it's been almost SRO ever since!

The Ocotillo provides 2 choices for lunch including beverage, for \$10. Ladies bring an inexpensive wrapped gift to exchange and sometimes there's an informative guest presentation to boot. What a deal!

We're moving to the 1st Thursday beginning October 6, at 12:30 instead of noon, so we don't conflict with other events during the winter season. Looking forward to seeing you. Ladies Lunch, \$10, Thurs, Oct 6, 12:30pm, Ocotillo, Gift Exchange. That's the facts, Ma'am.

'Swap Meet' returns October 21

John Bennett urges all vendors to get their reservations in as soon as possible
1st and 3rd Fridays return Setup 6-8am ... OPEN
8am to 2pm
Space Rates are: **Full \$15, Half \$10.**
Call 928-575-7727.

Emma Kyte, Licensed Caregiver
Lives in Bouse, 928-662-7373

A Glimpse at Bouse's History

Our town of organizations and volunteers to unite and make this community the Mecca it is for residents and winter visitors to return year after year to soak up the sun and enjoy a winter of relaxation and activity had its beginning fifty eight years ago when a group of locals got together to play Bingo on Saturday nights at what now is the Ocotillo Lodge, then owned by Ray Townsend. Bingo soon mixed with brainstorming at these get-togethers and in May 1964 those enterprising folks had formed a club to meet on the first Saturday of each month, with a potluck before the meeting. As far as I know, those monthly potlucks and meetings continued up until the potlucks got '86ed' by the Health Department a year or so ago for the whole country.

Early fund raisers included selling license plates for \$2.50 to get on their feet; and when the railroad built a new school for Bouse in 1971, the old building was purchased by the AZ Western Churches Ranch who in turn "sold" it to the Booster Club for \$1 because it was too expensive to move. The Booster Club was able to buy 2 lots across from the new school grounds (now the library, clinic, etc.) for \$800. Volunteers and donations made possible remodeling the two-level schoolhouse into a suitable meeting place throughout the 70s and early 80s, creating the kitchen in 83.

Two more lots were purchased from Edgar Edwards in 1990 and later, the last two from John Townsend. The last portion of the old school building was removed in 1992 and replaced with new construction.

Though the original school building has gone through a multitude of radical renovation and additions through the years, at least part of it still sits on the original two lots; and weekly Bingo has continued throughout all the years.

The Club started selling painted blocks on the interior walls to help pay for the final construction costs on the main building as it remains today. A few blocks are still available for purchase. If you haven't been to the Booster Hall, you're in for a treat to see the myriad of artwork covering the walls.

Other clubs and organizations were spawned throughout the ensuing years, each adding activities and services, entertainment and fun to make Bouse what it is today. We all owe a lot of gratitude to those locals whose ingenuity and foresight started it all 58 years ago, resulting in the Bouse Booster Club.

... COMING SOON ...
Bouse Booster Breakfast
 Mondays Starting Nov 14
NEW MENU
 Scrambled Eggs
 Savory Egg Casserole
 Sweet Egg Casserole
 Biscuits and Gravy

MONTHLY FOOD BANK
 1st Wednesday of month
 Oct 5th ... 9-11:00am (winter hours)
 Behind Bouse Booster Club



PARKER

- Oct 7/9** ABDA Octoberfest Drag Boat Races
 Blue Water Casino
- Oct 29/30** SCSC Racing, Parker Enduro
 La Paz County Park

SALOME

- Oct 8** Dick Wick Hall Day, Lion's Club
- Oct 8** Women's Club Pie Sale

Those Were the Good Old Days...

Editor's note: If you like this attempt at a new regular column to help us reminisce how it was (and hopefully have a snicker or too) please let us know. And better yet, please feel free to offer your own memories to share in upcoming issues. bousenews16@aol.com

1. You got your windshield cleaned, oil checked, and gas pumped without asking . . . all for free, every time. And you didn't pay for air or water! And, you got trading stamps to boot. And sometimes hear a new joke from the attendant! But that's how it got its name – Service Station! Some of us remember gas at 19 cents a gallon!
2. No one ever asked where the car keys were because they were always in the car, in the ignition, and the doors were never locked.
3. Lying on your back in the grass with your friends to stay cool on a hot day and saying things like, "That cloud looks like a _____."

Got a Few Hours to Donate?

Volunteers are always welcome to assist with the activities and events throughout the Season, but it doesn't mean full time. You get to choose. Maybe an hour or two here, an hour or two there really helps a lot to relieve those full timers at the registration table or other small job. Maybe you would just like to help out at an annual event and that's all. Can we use you? You bet!

There's a brighter side to volunteering that many people don't realize. You make new friends, sometimes you laugh a lot and it always feels good when it's all done. Join the Bousekateers this Season!

La Paz County Passports are Available

Our sixth season Passport to Adventure is hot off the press and should be available in local businesses and service locations. Pick yours up today! It's chuck full of info, activities, events, and fun!

BINGO at the BOUSE BOOSTER CLUB

Starts Thursday, Nov 3
 Doors open 5pm, Bingo starts 6pm
 See ya every Thursday!

Bouse Chamber of Commerce Monthly General Meeting

Oct 3rd at 6pm ...Booster Hall
 Catch up on what's going on in Bouse!



Roadrunner 2 has added some great things on their shelves and continues to do so as new things become available to them or requested by their customers. Take a few minutes on your next stop to check out the freshly cleaned, cut, and ready to eat fruits as well as all your produce needs. In the cold deli case you'll find rotisserie chicken, BBQ ribs, a variety of sandwiches, salads, and desserts. And by the Beer Cave warm Grab and Go foods: burritos, pizza, chicken strips, and ribs. Selections may vary by day. Craft beers have been added to the Beer Cave and their wine shelves have expanded with new labels available. And fresh flowers next to the check out for that special someone!

Like Live Music? – Bouse's VFW Post 2357 presents live music for your entertainment every Wednesday, Thursdays, Friday and Saturdays. You can be the star of the show with Karaoke on Tuesday and Sunday.

Don't be surprised if you see an **Expresso Cart at the Swap Meet**. We understand it's on the "Menu" for vendors at the season opening on October 21. I asked about pastries to go along with the lattes, hot & iced tea and coffee, Cappuccino, Frappuccino and expresso but that hasn't been determined.

Somewhere Bar and Grill will be open their regular hours, 10am to ??? Rusty's been busy filling up her new display case for her handmade jewelry. Gals, stop by for a cold one and check out the merchandise in the case. Some pretty fine looking sparkles for yourself or a gift for a special friend.

And Guys, if you think you're may be in trouble when you get home tonight, why not surprise your wife with a handmade necklace or bracelet. She's gonna love it!

John Nault at the Ocotillo Sends Thanks to all those friends and customers who rallied to help clean up the aftermath of the storms. That whole part of town was badly hit with flying debris, signs, limbs, knocked down fences, and overturned trees. *"I've never seen anything like the wind and water damage in all the years I've been in Bouse,"* said George Nault who has operated here since 1977.

New Taco Tuesday Special: 3 tacos, refried beans and rice or Taco Salad. Other evening specials: Spaghetti, Wings, Ribs, and Fish & Chips.

Wash and Wags – The do-it-yourself doggie wash is back to serve those little darlings of yours with everything needed for their bath except maybe those cute little bows that you put in their hair. On Hwy 72 east, just past the Hardware Store, beside the old beauty shop. 208-390-6540.

Just for Fun RV Park suffered severe damage from the 80 some mph windstorm and following rain this summer. They had just completed their new Community Room and added a new Wifi system for the whole park when the storm hit taking down many of their trees, one landing on top of their park office and main services building. *"When I saw that tree come down I thought our new remodeling project had been destroyed but luckily the damage missed the new part,"* said Richard, park manager. *"We're about caught up with all the repairs from the storms and will be ready for our fall customers to arrive. We were very lucky no one was injured."*

Nuptials at the Ocotillo Lodge – You never know what's going to happen at the Ocotillo Lodge these days. You may walk in on a wedding in progress! Yep, if you'd been there on September 6 and stopped in for a beer, you might have seen Sylvia Ann Cash become Mrs. David James Davis, and then joined in to wish the happy couple a wonderful life together. A member of the Nault family, Sylvia's veil flowed from her black Stetson matching David's handsome western attire to complete their wedding theme. An ancient Native American traditional Blanket Ceremony followed their vows to conclude the wedding and start the party

We usually talk about the **Family Dollar** candy special contest for the month, but the main thing on our agenda for the this issue is when in the heck are they going to reopen? I think there's a pool or two going around town on who's is going to open first... Family Dollar or the New Post Office. What's your pick? Seems like we've been waiting a loong time for each of them.

Jef at Betty Hunter Realty recently added a new sales associate, Tim Huhtala, to his office right next to Roadrunner 2 Market on Hwy 72. Newly trained in the realty world, Tim's been a resident in Bouse for a number of years so he's no stranger. He met his wife Heather here and they've raised three daughters. Office hours at Betty Hunter are 9/5, Mon/Fri, 928-851-2244.

Attn: Businesses, Organizations, and Individuals

You can join our list of reporters! Your Bouse Community Newsletter is always looking for news of interest to our folks who live here, eat here, play here . . . well, you know what we want. Announcements of achievement, Services available, Something new coming to town. That's what Around Town with Pat Walch is all about. It doesn't have to be big news, just news. But we can't put it in the paper unless we know about it. Please feel free to call us at 208-949-9022 to tell us about something new that's available at your business or club, your menu. We're waiting for your call!

If you'd like to be added to our emailing list for the Bouse Newsletter, please email your address to bousenews16@aol.com.

You'll get it in color! And it's printable!

Winter hours at the Transfer Station
Thurs, Fri & Sat ... 7:30am to 2:30
Begins Oct 1st

In Loving
Memory
 of those forever in our hearts



Every October we include a section where we can remember the lives of those who have passed. A person is mortal but love for them has no end. Though a loved one may not be present, he or she is always in your heart and mind.

*“You are longer here with us.
 No more laughter, joy, or play.
 Not a moment in our life goes by
 that we don't think of you that day”*

- Pastor Wayne Arrington
- Karen DiLorenzo
- Sandy Kelso
- Mike O'Conner
- Norm Parmley
- Donna Rettmann
- Pam Smith
- Brandy Stewart
- Debbie Taylor-Alloway
- Rhonda Ulloa
- Bruce Walch

A Tough Year for our Family

Dani and David Bull

Dealing with the loss of a family member is never easy, but in the past 6 months, three members of our family passed away. a husband, Father and brother-in-law (Norm Parmley), A daughter, mother and niece (Brandy Stewart), and when a beloved pet dies, the loss can bring grief and intense sorrow, in our case 20yr old 'Harley'. Add to this close family friends both from Bouse and our home town of Rangely, CO Pam Smith Paula Davis, Tracey Hume.

In each case the grieving is the same to at least several members of the family. We remember each one with loss, affection and shelter in the support of our family as a whole.

Bruce Walch Says Goodbye

Bruce passed away on May 1, 2022 at home quietly with his wife, Pat from an illness that struck him unexpectedly at the end of 2021. He was born on December 31, 1945 in Boise, ID where he began his school days until his family moved to Melba, ID where he graduated from high school. He served in the Air Force National Guard during the 60s and 70s.

He enjoyed life to the fullest, worked hard and played hard. Bruce inherited his love of playing cards from his mother and enjoyed countless hours through the years playing pinochle with his siblings and Mom whenever the family got together. Also enjoyed hunting, target shooting, motorcycling, OHV and RVing and drinking beer his whole life. He was a natural at any sport he played, be it darts, golf, or tennis. He loved his music and spent many hours singing in his shop along with the radio to the enjoyment of his neighbors.

Bruce met Pat in 1982, they became Taco John's franchisees in 1984 when they moved to Spokane to take ownership and managed 3 restaurant locations, adding a 4th a few years later. They married in 1985 in Las Vegas at the annual Taco John's convention and were often chided by friends "leave it to Bruce to figure out a way to write off his own wedding!"

Bruce was blessed with a knack for fixing things. If he couldn't find what he wanted or needed, he'd make it out of whatever was available, be it wood, steel, or plastic. That really came in handy in their taco business with equipment breakdowns.

In 1996, they sold three of their Taco John's and moved to Black Rock RV Park for the winters. In 2005 they sold their last restaurant and moved to Bouse for retirement. He spent many support hours behind the scenes working on projects for fund raising for the Friends of the Library and Chamber. He will be remembered for his frequent voice impersonations of Elvis, Dean Martin, John Wayne, and W.C. Fields.

Besides Pat, his wife and partner of 40 years, Bruce leaves behind two daughters and a son, his brother Roc and wife Joan, sister Rae, 2 grandchildren, and many friends.

Pastor Wayne Arrington Passes

Born on July 10, 1936 in Carlsbad, NM, Doyal Wayne Arrington passed away peacefully at home in Bouse on Sept 6, 2022. Wayne married the love of his life Vonda Juree Nov. 29, 1956; the couple moved to Bouse in 1960 to farm and raise their family here. He went to work for Yuma County Public Works in 1972 and transferred to La Paz when the county was split in '83; and became the first field supervisor for La Paz County Public Works Dept. We travel a lot of the roads today that he built, paved and maintained.

And in 1972, Wayne founded the Bouse Community Assembly of God Church, services were held in the old Bouse School House. He became a licensed minister for the Assembly of God Church in 75. In January, 1977 he began building the church that is still used today; first services were held in summer of that year. Wayne retired from La Paz County in 1998 and continued Pastoring the Assembly of God for a total of 42 years.

He is survived by his wife Vonda Juree, their children Sandra; Sharon and husband Dallas; and his son David; his sister Ann and husband Edd; 13 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren, 2 great greats and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Wayne was a man of God, respected, loved, and missed by many.

Bouse Public Library**Weekly Hours:****Mon thru Thurs 8 to 4PM****Wifi Password: Bouselib*77**

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Ph: 928-851-1023 Fax 928-851-2758

by Yvonne Baron

Fall is here and new Books and DVDS await your return to Bouse and our Library.

We have numbered our "series" books so your search will be easier to read continuing stories without having to search for what is next.

Our Large Print section for Mystery and Romance as well as Western readers has grown for those of us who may need that little extra help.

DVDs have also brought in new material for folks who like to watch the "series" you may have missed on TV or just want to watch again.

For those who have children, check out our Juvenile section for books the children can read along with, while listening to a cassette.

**Friends of the Bouse Public Library**

The Friends of the Library would like to start our new season at the Bookstore by thanking all of you who donated over the summer and to those who donated upon leaving for cooler country and helped us to add new books and DVDs to our inventory.

We welcome everyone and look forward to seeing old friends and making new friends in our town and book store.

Our first book sales for the season will be starting on November 5th and November 19th from 9 – 11am.

So mark your calendars, come join us and see what stories await you in our selection of hardbacks \$.50, paperbacks \$.25, and westerns \$.50 each. Jig saw puzzles and magazines are also available.

Hope to see you there!

**Quilters, Crafters, & Makers**

Season starts Oct 12. Meet each Wednesday 9am-2pm at the Bouse Booster Club.

Bring your projects and supplies and spread out on our large tables, participate in creating the annual community quilt, and enjoy meeting and collaborating with other creative women. It all happens here!

A seasonal donation of \$20 is requested. Questions please call Susan at 775-389-7589.

Ghost Riders ORV Club

The Ghost Riders will be starting to plan this seasons trips soon. Last season the club managed to have 10 jeep trips, 10 girls only trips and 22 club trips open to all riders.

They covered a large area including trips in California, the Kofa Wildlife Refuge and trips to Apache Mine and Tom Wells west of Quartzite. Locally many trips in the Plomosa Mtns, Bouse Hills, Granite Wash Mtns and farther out to Alamo Lake and Wikieup.

We will include a list of planned trips each month during the season in the newsletter

**Bouse Volunteer Fire Department**

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Welcome back Travelers!!

The Department stayed very busy throughout the summer. It was a very active summer and the community is still in the cleanup mode. But we had much needed rain even though it all came at once!!

I am continually amazed at the community effort in assisting and working together to accomplish something for the good of the area. Too many names to list but you are all appreciated, but would like to take the time to say a special Thank You to the following agencies: Red Cross, Baptist Southern Churches, Rubicon, and LaPaz County Public works for coming to our rescue!

We will be burning the brush pile at the park as soon as possible to enable more brush and limb trimmings. Please no more big stumps; those cannot be burned there.

The Fire Station sustained heavy damage from the storm on Aug. 18. We lost all 3 bay doors to the wind as well as the roller system, electric motors, sensors, and the rails. \$22,879 in damages. Our units were under the doors in the bay area for 3hrs after the storm until we were able to move them out from under the debris. Thankfully VFIS Insurance was very swift in assessing, scheduling the repair, and securing the building. Unfortunately the units cannot be housed there until after repair as we have no way to open or close the doors. That is why you have seen our units at various sites and addresses in town. The repair time is 3-5 weeks and we are now in week 3.

Two staff members were able to attend AZ Fire School Sept. 7/11 on scholarships from AFDA to enhance their knowledge and to share and implement ideas in our Department.

Bouse Fire needs your help and signatures to be able to expand the area we serve to the 42E area. This is an area we have served for 13 years with zero tax based monies from that area. Bouse residential property tax base in the townsite has completely absorbed the cost of our fuel, time, and supplies. Some in the area do not want the additional tax increase but the Department cannot continue using the monies from Bouse townsite. The financial burden is not fair to the people in the Bouse townsite. Please contact one of the numbers listed below or stop by the office to sign a petition in support or to gather more factual information. If you don't sign it is considered a no vote.

There is an EMR (Emergency Medical Response) class starting up within the next 30 days and is open to anyone who might be interested in volunteering to assist us on calls or other projects. Please contact the office for more info.

Vonnie Harmon...vonnie.harmon@bouseazfd.com

Bouse Elementary School

School has gotten off to a great start. We currently have 48 students enrolled this year. Five of these are new kindergarteners and 8 are new students that have moved to Bouse. October 6th is the end of the first quarter and teachers will be conducting parent/teacher conferences. Fall break is the week of October 10th-13th.



This year the theme for the Red Ribbon parade will be: *Seas the Day- Live Drug Free* on Saturday October 22. We would love any parents or community members to enter their side x side, car, truck, quad or boat into the parade. Entry forms are available at the school. If you are unable to be in the parade please join us on the parade route to cheer on the Bouse Elementary students and all the parade entries. More information will be provided as we get closer to the event.

The annual Halloween Carnival will be held in the school gym on Oct 27. Information, including start time, will be posted on the Bouse Bugle at a later date. We are always looking for community members to help make the carnival a great success. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the school. The money raised is used for the year end field trip.

Veterans - Mark your calendar now for The Veteran's Day Lunch with the Students scheduled for Nov 9 at the school. Full info will be in the November Bouse Newsletter.

Salome High School

The Salome Frog's football team is into another great season. This season has been highly anticipated and we are ready for another great run! After getting beat in the last seconds of their playoff game last year against El Capitan, these boys are hungry for another playoff berth. When asked about the upcoming season, head coach Bryan McCarty stated, "I expect to contend for the 1A West Region title with Bagdad and to make a deep run in the playoffs. They are an experienced group, we have some depth with 23 players." Quarterback Jibran Castillo had some words of his own about the upcoming season, "I'm feeling pretty good about the football season. We've all trained hard in the summer and I feel like we can make a deep run this year."

Salome volleyball has a new look with new head coach Ramon Soto taking the reins for the Lady Frogs. "I'm excited to prepare these girls for this season," Coach Soto said. "We have an awesome team... I'm confident this year." The Lady Frogs lost many of last year's seniors, so this team is looking for a fresh start. Junior Ollie Huhtala said she is feeling confident about the season, "There's a lot of new freshmen who are progressing every day; we all look forward to Coach Soto leading us on."

Salome High School hosted an Open House at the beginning of school, providing parents and guardians a chance to meet all of the teachers as well as a stop for some hot dogs and refreshments! So every parent who attended had plenty of time to meet all the teachers, we had a place for the young kids to go to watch a movie while eating their food! It worked well.

Salome High School's Building Trades classes are building a house in Indian Hills. It's a 2 bedroom, 2 bath with a 1 car garage. When they are done with it they hope to sell it and buy the land and property to start a new one! With its fresh coat of paint and tile floors throughout the project is looking great. Mr. Crown, the Building Trades teacher, said that he hopes the house will be finished early next year but that supply shortages can always throw a wrench into things.

BOUSE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH

ED Note: We did not receive a new schedule at time of printing . so please note the below is from end of last season.

The following schedule will be followed unless circumstances prevent:

Sunday	<u>Sunday School:</u> 8:45 am <u>Worship Time:</u> 10:00 am <u>Fellowship Lunch and Business Meeting:</u> 1st Sunday of each month following Worship Time <u>Discipleship Training:</u> 4:30 pm except for the 1st Sunday of the month
Monday	<u>Men's Bible Study Fellowship:</u> 8:00 am
Tuesday	<u>Women's Bible Study:</u> 9:00am
Wednesday	<u>Midweek Bible Study and Prayer:</u> 4:30 pm
Saturday	Nikki's Nook - 11:00 am-3:00 pm

Contact information for the church:

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 281, Bouse, AZ 85325

Physical Address: 28332 AZ Hwy 72, Bouse, AZ 85325

Church Office: 928-851-2612

Pastor's Residence: 928-851-1184

Pastor's Cell Phone: 928-581-7294

BOUSE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Community Assembly of God @ Stone & Worley

Pastor Sharon Hillhouse 928-503-2847

As we say, welcome back to our seasonal neighbors, and step into the 2022-23 season, may we continue to be God's hands and feet no matter where we are.

Adult Bible Study - Wednesdays, 7:00 PM

Children-Teens Student Ministries - Thursday's 6:30-8:00 PM- bus pick up starts at Joshua Drive area around 6:00 PM and moves east (call/text JoAnna for pick-up 660-596-9880).

Follow us on Facebook!

www.Facebook.com/BouseCommunityAssemblyofGod

Chair Exercise with Lisa at the BBC

Stretching and strengthening exercises

Taught from a seated position

Wednesdays, Starts Nov 2, 8- 8:50am

Everyone is Welcome

Donations Wanted

Small Kitchen appliances, dish-ware, cookware, furniture, tools, garden tools, decor.....

Please leave at the Booster Club back patio

Call or Text Denise. 831-229-0540

No clothing please

THE BOUSE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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... Veterans Important Information ...

Welcome back! ...

The PACT ACT is the largest healthcare and benefits expansion in V.A. history!

For any veteran that hasn't heard, the PACT ACT was passed and signed into law last August. It has a lot of new benefits for Iraq, Afghanistan and Vietnam vets. Part of the new benefits for Vietnam veterans is Hypertension/High Blood Pressure and Monoclonal gammopathy (MGUS) (blood disorder) are now considered presumptive conditions for filing for disability claims.

Also new Agent Orange presumptive locations are:

- Any U.S. or Royal Thai military base in Thailand Jan 9, 1962 - Jun 30, 1976
- Laos from Dec 1, 1965 - Sept 30, 1969
- Cambodia at Mimot or Krek, Kampong Cham Province Apr 16, 1969 - Apr 30, 1969
- Guam or American Samoa or in the territorial water off of Guam or American Samoa Jan 9, 1962 - Jul 30, 1980
- Johnston Atoll or on a ship that called at Johnston Atoll Jan 1, 1972 - Sept 30 1977
- They have also added these 3 new response efforts to the list of presumptive locations:
- Cleanup of Enewetak Atoll, Jan 1, 1977 - Dec 31, 1980
- Cleanup of the Air Force B-52 bomber carrying nuclear weapons off the coast of Palomares, Spain, Jan 17, 1966 - Mar 31, 1967
- Response to the fire onboard an Air Force B-52 bomber carrying nuclear weapons near Thule Air Force Base in Greenland Jan 21, 1968 - Sept 25, 1968

The benefits for Iraq/Afghanistan have added more than 20 presumptive conditions for burn pits and other toxic exposures. Please contact me for more information in regards to this. Jerry Black (928) 851-1871 (Veterans Service Officer)

VFW & Auxiliary Announce Kick-Off of Annual Scholarships & Contest for Students

Scholarships and contests are open for kindergarten through high school students who may compete for thousands of dollars in scholarships and prize earnings.

High School:

- 1. Young American Patriotic Art Contest** – Student submits an original two-dimensional piece of artwork that was completed during the current school to our VFW Auxiliary, VFW Post 2357, Bouse by March 31, 2023. First place winner from each Auxiliary advances to the Department (state) competition. Department first place winners compete for their share of \$34,000 in national awards and the National first place winner is awarded a \$15,000 scholarship.
- 2. 3-dimensional Patriotic Art Contest** – This follows the same procedures with the Department first place winners competing for their share of \$4,000 and the National first place winner is awarded a \$2,500 scholarship. Entry forms for each can be downloaded at: <https://vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships>.

Grade School:

- 1. Illustrating America** – Students in grades K-8 can participate in this patriotic art contest that encourages students' artistic abilities as they express how they see America through drawings and paintings submitted in their Division: K-2, 3-5, 6-8. Winners in each Division receive VISA gift cards ranging in value from \$25-\$100. Entrants are due to VFW Post 2357 by March 31, 2023. More info: www.vfwauxiliary.org/what-we-do/youthactivities or contact Janice Robertson locally at 928-580-8872.

American Legion Post 46

43531 Hwy 72, Bouse, AZ

Phone: 928-851-1050

Hours: 12-7 daily

Post 46 has some finishing up in progress to complete the addition that was started in the Spring, and hopes to have all done to be open by Oct. 15.

They plan to resume their food service once open and will announce it on their Facebook page as well as the Bouse Bugle when ready to open. Their schedule will be available at the Post once they are open. Keep watch!



VFW Post 2357

Hwy 72 East, Phone 928-851-2857

Our local VFW has had an active summer, and will continue their Sunday and Thursday Socials through the coming season. Coffee and donuts are served at each Social and all are welcome to join in to meet to reminisce with old friends and meet new friends. great way to get acquainted if you're new to the area.



Weekly Events:

- Mon – Darts, 3pm
- Tues - Pizza and Karaoke, 4pm
- Wed – WII Bowling, 3pm, Music by LD, 4pm
- Thur – Social, 10am, Music by Don 5pm
- Fri - Poker 2pm, Music by Don & Tiffany 5pm
- Sat - Music by LD, 5pm
- Sun - Social, 10am; Karaoke, 4pm

Special Events

Oct 15 - October Birthday Party

Something new on the V's activity schedule that began this summer is Tuesday Pizza and Karaoke. The 12 inch pies come from The Pizza Guys in Brenda and delivered to the VFW between 5-6pm on Tuesday. Orders go in on Monday, you can stop in at the Vee to learn more about it, place your order, and sign up in the weekly drawing to win yours free. That's right: three lucky winners each week will receive their order free. Drawing tickets are 6 for \$5. Drawing is on Monday when orders go in. You may stay and eat your pizza and enjoy the Karaoke or take it home as you wish.

Welcome everyone

Please check at the Post for missing details.

Gunny Robertson,
Commander VFW Post 2357.

Writers' Cramp Needs You!!

If you think you have a story inside, you may want to join the Writers' Cramp weekly meeting.

Wednesday 10-12

Beginning Nov 2nd...

for more information call Pat 208-949-9022
LOCALS HAVING FUN WITH WORDS ...

Bouse Community Information

Chamber of Commerce

Business Members *(in bold print)*

American Legion Post #46 (12-7pm)	928-851-1050
American Legion Auxiliary	928-851-1050
APS	928 669-2248
Armor Locksmith	928-851-5022
BLH & T Construction	928-851-1175
Betty Hunter Real Estate	928-851-2244
M/F 9-5	cell 951-236-2229
Bouse Airport <i>(George or Gloria)</i>	253-583-6805
BouseAZ.com	928-575-5122
Bouse Community Park	928-851-0043
Bouse RV Park	928-851-2508
Bouse Tire Shop cell 928-259-0636	928-851-2830
Castro Auto Body & Paint, Parker	928-669-2899
Coachman's Café 7:30-2, Tue/Sun, except Fri 7:30-7	928-916-8416
David Plunkett Real Estate	928-851-2424
Desert Rose Acres Subdivision	928-851-2590
Desert Pueblo RV Park	928-851-2206
Drastik Car Detailing - Joe Jagroop	661-713-2255
Ecology Recycling Services	602 403-8007
Elite Customs, Parker	928-669-8040
Family Dollar M/SA 8-9, SU 9-9	928 851-0000
Farmers Insurance, Parker	928-669-6225
Fly By Night Brokerage	602-349-5034
HJK Enterprises (Harley)	909-239-1162
Just 4 Fun RV Park	928-216-9896
J & S Supply 9am-2pm, Mon - Fri	928-916-3075
KR Well Drilling	928-851-2975
La Mesa Verde RV Park	928-851-2456
Look 'N See, Parker	928-575-1171
Nails By Susan	928-851-5235
Ocotillo Restaurant & Lodge	928-851-2219
Purcell Jojoba Farming	928-851-2414
Q-Mountain Well Drilling	928-851-2537
Roadrunner Market II (7-7 daily)	928-851-1800
Rose Acres Farms	
Simple Goods	928-851-5526
Somewhere Bar & Grill (10am-close)	928-851-1051
The Ark, Parker	928-304-6116
U-Sav Storage	928-851-9220
VFW Post 2357 , (12-?pm)	928-851-2857
Villa La Paz RV Park	928-851-2176

Wash & Wags	208 390-6540
Weaver Acres	435-213-0444

Medical & Emergency

Bouse Clinic, 8-Noon, Tue & Thur	928-851-2177
Bouse Fire District Office (Non-Emergency)	928-851-2648
La Paz Regional Hospital	928-669-9201
Emergency (fire or medical) 911	928-669-2281
Non-emergency (fire or sheriff) 311	888-818-4911

Public Utilities and Offices

Power – APS	928-669-2248
Phone – Frontier	877-462-8188
Water – Bouse Domestic Water Improvement District (BDWID)	928-851-1120
<i>(Mail Payments to P O Box 334, Bouse)</i>	

Clubs and Organizations

Bouse Booster Club	928-851-1080
Booster Bingo	
Bouse Community Newsletter	208-949-9022
Bouse Genealogical Society	928-221-3866
Bouse Hills Muzzle Loaders	623-826-5619
Chamber of Commerce Nov thru Mar - Thurs/Sun 10-2	928-851-2509
Apr thru Oct	909 239-1162
Friends of Bouse Library	928-851-1023
Ghost Riders ORV Club	404-642-4126
Quilters & Crafters	775-389-7589
Writer's Cramp	208-949-9022

Public Services

Bouse Southern Baptist Church	928-581-7294
Bouse Elementary School	928-851-2213
Bouse Museum Thurs/ Sun, 10-2	928-851-2509
Bouse Public Library	928-851-1023
La Paz County District Supervisor	928-669-6115
LaPaz County Transit	800-319-5976
	928-669-6155
Post Office	928-851-2313
St Vincent De Paul Food Bank	928-669-2523
Food Bank	928-287-3514

October Is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

La Paz Regional in Parker uses digital mammography which improves detection by allowing the radiologist to capture and manipulate the images so abnormalities can be seen more easily. Plus it uses 22% less radiation than conventional equipment. Schedule yours today.