

BUTTERFLY LODGE MUSEUM Newsletter Spring 2023

Greetings from Greer!

As this year's heaps of snow begin to melt, we at the Butterfly Lodge Museum are working hard to create yet another wonderful summer season for You and our other favorite patrons! Since opening our doors in 1995, we have been committed to preserving the historical Butterfly Lodge and telling the stories of its famous inhabitants, author James Willard Schultz and his artist son Lone Wolf. The cabin has stood in place for over a century, and it is our hope to keep its story alive for many more to come.

Thank You, dear patron, for supporting us on this mission! We wouldn't be able to do it without your continued support and generous contributions.

This year, like so many other organizations, we continue to experience increased costs that affect our ability to maintain our buildings, the invaluable artwork and artifacts we house, as well as the events we hold for both public benefit and to raise funds. If you wish to help ease this burden, we ask you to consider making a donation, sponsoring an event, or attending one of our many programs. All donations and sponsorships are tax-deductible, and each sponsor can get their name or company logo on our marketing materials.

To join our event sponsors, please email <u>contact@butterflylodgemuseum.org</u> for more information. To donate online, visit our website <u>butterflylodgemuseum.org/support-us/</u>. You can also use the enclosed envelope and mail in your contribution to the following address:

Butterfly Lodge Museum PO Box 76, Greer, AZ 85927

What's New?

Thanks to many generous contributions made to us last year, most notably by the Greer Civic Association, we have – among other things – acquired new outdoor signs to the museum grounds and fixed the leaking roof of our Applewhite Pavilion. This year, we will continue to improve Your visitor experience through some changes to our museum tour materials and by keeping up with the all-important maintenance of the buildings and property itself.

As always, the museum gift shop will be stocked with both old favorites and interesting new items, such as customized magnets and beautiful local artwork. This year we also have some exciting new additions to our book shelves and will continue to carry a wide range of stuffed animals, shirts, chocolate, bath & body products, Native American jewelry, home décor, handmade vintage-style aprons and more!

Due to some changes to our pavilion rental policy, we no longer hold weddings at the site, but have revised our prices to better cater to meetings and other community gatherings. To inquire about our new prices and for all pavilion bookings, please email contact@butterflylodgemuseum.org.

Call for Volunteers

We seek new volunteers to join our ranks! As a nonprofit whose operations rely heavily on donations and the work of volunteers, we are ever so grateful for the many wonderful individuals who already contribute their time to us. However, we're still in need of more docents, gift shop workers, event helpers, and people who are interested in the various tasks that support our museum operations, such as gardening, building maintenance, children's education, and fundraising. Looking for a something more substantial? Apply to become a member of our Board of Directors!

To learn more, email <u>contact@butterflylodgemuseum.org</u> or join us on the following dates:

Saturday, June 3rd: Volunteer Recruitment & Orientation Day (9 – 11 am)

Orientation for new museum volunteers. Drinks & snacks for all! Location: Applewhite Pavilion (adjacent to the museum)

Wednesday, June 14th: Volunteer Training Day (1 – 3 pm)

Training for both new & old volunteers.

Location: Applewhite Pavilion (adjacent to the museum)

Stay in Touch with Us

We are continuing to transition from annual mailed newsletters to digital ones. To ensure you don't miss any important museum-related news, please visit our website https://butterflylodgemuseum.org/ and sign up for our digital newsletter.

For most up-to-date information regarding our events and other happenings, remember to also join our page on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1391258807566381.

Most importantly, don't forget to come and see us at the museum and gift store – we love to see and hear from you after the long winter break!

Museum & Gift Shop Hours of Operation 2023:

May 25th – September 23rd
Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays 10am – 3pm
Museum entry by donation

KIDS' CRAFTS every Saturday in June and July: 1 pm at the Museum Visitor Center!

Calendar of Events 2023

Sunday, May 28th: Pancake Breakfast (8 – 11 am)

Organized in collaboration with Greer Fire Department and sponsored by Lazy Trout Market.

Saturday, June 10th: Greer Days Band – The James T Gang (5 – 8 pm)

Rock music and country tunes, food & drinks.

Friday, June 23rd: Painting Class with Abebra Pieper (5 – 7 pm)

Butterfly painting class! Tickets through Abebra, text 760-373-6894.

Saturday, June 24th: History of Chocolate and Chocolate Tasting (1 – 2.30 pm)

Collaboration with White Mountain Chocolates. Tickets on sale after June 1st (gift store).

Sunday, July 2nd: Independence Day Lunch & Concert with Salt River Brass (11 – 2.30 pm)

Military music, symphony orchestra and chamber group all in one ensemble.

Friday & Saturday, July 7th and 8th: Mata Ortiz Pottery Show (10 am – 3 pm)

Handmade pottery made following ancient Mesoamerican traditions.

Saturday, July 22nd: Concert by Acoustic Eidolon (6 – 8 pm)

Enchanting music that combines cello with a double neck guitjo. Tickets on sale after June 1st (gift store).

Saturday, July 29th: Guest Speaker Archaeologist Allen Dart (1 – 2.30 pm)

Set in Stone but Not in Meaning: Southwestern Rock Art. Program made possible by Arizona Humanities and organized in collaboration with Little Colorado River Chapter of Arizona Archaeological Society.

Friday, August 4^{th} : Guest Speech by AZ Game & Fish Department (1 - 2 pm)

Don't miss this chance to hear more about the Mexican Wolf Program!

Saturday, August 5th: Vintage Style Show (1 – 3 pm)

Old-fashioned fashion show with vintage wedding gowns & clothes, narrated by Linda Starr. Cakes, coffee & tea! Tickets on sale after June 1st (gift store).

Saturday, August 19th: Fundraiser Fiesta (5 – 8 pm)

Support the museum by joining our fun fiesta fundraiser! Tickets on sale after June 1st (gift store).

Friday, August 25th: Painting Class with Abebra Pieper (5 – 7 pm)

Get ready for the art show by becoming an artist yourself! Tickets through Abebra.

Saturday, August 26th: Arts & Crafts Show (10 am - 3 pm)

Local arts & crafts on display and for sale. Vendor registration begins June 1st.

Saturday, September 2nd: Fat Chance Band (5 – 8 pm)

Celebrate Labor Day by coming to enjoy food, drinks & vintage rock at the pavilion.

Saturday, September 16th: Guest Speakers Bob Boze Bell & Jana Bommersbach (1 – 2 pm)

Come hear these wild west connoisseurs and authors of the book Hellraisers & Trailblazers.

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