**The Literate Foodie Club**

December 4th @ 12:30–2:30 pm

Love food, books, cooking & conversation? We will explore all these and more.

**December Topic:** An Exaltation of Soup by Patricia Solley. Group soup exchange! Facilitated by Dana Rakinic. Questions? Contact danarakinic@gmail.com.

**Register:** 480-488-2286. Cost: $10.

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**Desert Footsteps Library**

**Holiday Science with Mrs. Claus**

Tuesday, December 12 • 10:30 am–Noon

Children ages 3 to 6 will have fun, and free holiday exhibit featuring a visit from Mrs. Claus, who will delight little ones with her stories & magic. Mrs. Claus will entertain your children from 10:30 to 11:15 am.

Photos may be taken with her to join. Follow us afterwards for cookie decorating, followed by a holiday science party with special guest: Amy Oyler, author & mother, who will offer a wide array of kid-friendly, hands-on holiday-themed experiments inspired by a Kiwi associate. Siblings are welcome.

**Register:** 480-488-2286.

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**Desert Footsteps Library**

**AARP Driver Safety Program**

Saturday, December 16 • 10:30 am–3 pm

A refresher course in driver safety and driving skills (lecture). Materials are included. Completion of the course may entitle you to an auto insurance discount (check with your insurer; not all participants).

Bring a sack lunch. Class Limit 15. Email instructor Scott Rexinger at srexinger@gmail.com with questions.

**Registration Required:** 480-488-2286. Pay Instructor at class: 50% AARP member card, (checks only), plus $5 cash/check to Desert Footsteps Library.

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**COMPUTER/TABLET CLASSES**

**All classes below taught by Tech4Life**

**Home Automation**

December 7 • 9:30–11 am (1st Thursdays)

Amazon Echo, Google Home, Nest, Wink, Video. Unlock your doors, close the garage, change the temp, be notified of water leaks, see AND talk to someone at your door from ANYWHERE!! Experience real practical applications of today’s products.

**Password Management & Security 101**

December 28 • 9:30–11 am (4th Thursdays)

Frustrated with a million passwords? Worry about credit card fraud? Has someone called you about your computer being hacked? Is your data safe? Show up and we’ll explain all of this and more! Lecture and handout provided; no computers.

**Details at www.dfla.org**

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**Music at the Movies**

December 7 • 2–5 pm (1st Thursdays)

**Scrooge:** This is the eighth film version of Charles Dickens’ most widely read story that was first published in 1843. This engaging musical by Leslie Bricusse finds Scrooge (Albin Finchley) as the parsimonious miser who hates the revelry of the Christmas holiday. Thirteen songs are performed in what has endured to be an annual holiday musical classic.

Hosted by Music Enthusiast Annis Scott. No Registration.
CRAFT N CHAT
December 18 • 1–3 pm
(3rd Monday December only)
Do you knit, crochet, or practice another table craft? Join other local enthusiasts monthly for companionable creating and conversation. New crafters & all skill levels are always welcome! No registration.

BRIDGE
Instructor: Peter Blake-Ward
Register for both courses: 480-488-2286
Cost: $85 for each 8-week series, including materials, OR $150 for both.
Bridge: Supervised Play
Fridays, December 15–February 2 • 10 am–Noon
One half-hour demonstration of play and bidding AND play of pre-dealt hand. Balance of the class will be bidding and play of randomly dealt hands with help from the instructor. Registration is limited to the first 12 people.
Bridge: Skill Building
Fridays, December 15–February 2 • 1–3 pm
For players with some experience who would like to improve their skills, you will develop bridge skills and strategies and be able to increase your competitive play. The instructor will teach the “new” standard in bridge—the 2 over 1 style of play.

MAHJONG
Registration required: Contact Club Director Andrea Korff at 480-650-5199 or korff88@icloud.com.
Mahjong Club
Every Tuesday • 1:30–4:30 pm
Must have basic knowledge of the game. Limited space.
Cost: $4.75/session. Pay Director at class.
2-Day Refresher Course
November 30 & December 1 • 1–4 pm
Tips/Strategies and increasing speed and odds for winning! Limited space. Cost: $45.

HEALTH & FITNESS
Guided Meditation
December 6 • 2–3 pm (1st Wednesdays)
In this practice, we lie on the floor with closed eyes & relax in the space just before sleep. Please bring yoga mat or blanket. Registration required: Contact instructor Payton Cooper at studiomagic@cox.net or 480-53-0701.
Qigong/Tai Chi Easy
Every Friday • 8:45–9:45 am
A discipline that can be practiced and benefits gained at any age—you are never too old! This class is a blending of Qigong and Tai Chi, with deep breathing & repeated gentle motions and stretches to improve health, balance, agility and flexibility. Wear loose clothing and bare feet. Registration required: Contact instructor Bina Bovu at 480-449-0936 or bbtai@cox.net.
Gentle Yoga
Every Sunday • 11 am–Noon (no class 12/24 or 12/31)
You are only one class away from a good mood! Yoga for Every Body: through a slow flow of controlled poses you’ll begin strengthening your heart & bones, improving balance & sharpening the mind. Please bring a yoga mat and light blanket. Registration required: Contact instructor Marina Kachur at 480-510-6572 or mkachuru1@hotmail.com.
Cost: $8 cash, pay instructor at each class.
Restorative Yoga
Every Thursday • Noon–1 pm
Great for beginners! Improve your ease of movement, flexibility, breathing & meditation. Please bring a yoga mat and light blanket. Registration required: Contact instructor Elizabeth Boisson at 480-363-5275 or eboisson@yahoo.com.
Cost: $8 cash to instructor each class.
Natural Body Movement
Every Sunday • 1–2 pm (No class 12/24 or 12/31)
Classes are a gentle approach to movement. Emerging from mindfulness, learn to trust the body’s sensations while increasing strength, flexibility and mental clarity. Release stress, tension & chronic pain. Please bring a light blanket. Registration required: Contact instructor Judah Page at judah.page@gmail.com or 602-931-8565.
Cost: $10 cash, pay instructor at each class.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB
December 14 • 11–12:30 am (2nd Thursdays)
Holiday Event: Questions? Email Jo Niemeyer at niemeyerjoan@gmail.com.

LIBRARY/BOOKSTORE HOURS
Monday—Friday 9 am–6 pm
Saturday, 10 am–4 pm
Sunday, 11 am–3 pm
HOLIDAYS CLOSED
December 24, 25 & 31