

More Events



'JOURNEY THROUGH THE EMERALD ISLE'

Saturday, December 9 • 10:30 am-Noon

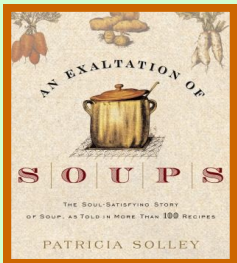
International travel writer and photographer, Paula Cullison, will speak about her current photography exhibit on Ireland and take you along on a fabulous trip via PowerPoint Presentation. An independent traveler, Paula has visited over 36 countries. Her exhibit will be on display until Saturday, December 30th during library hours. For more information, visit www.paulacullison.com. **Register:** 4880-488-2286.

THE LITERATE FOODIE CLUB

December 4th • 12:30–2:30 pm
(1st Mondays)

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.



FOR WRITERS

Writers Connection

Five Steps to Publishing Success

December 1 • 1–3 pm (1st Fridays)



Getting your short short stories and essays published in magazines is easy—if you have the right strategy. You don't need an agent to help with the process; you just need to send your work to the right editors, at the right time, and in the right way. This presentation will teach you where to find hundreds of perfectly matched markets for your voice and how to submit your writing professionally. By the end of Windy Lynn Harris's workshop, you'll be able to submit your work to magazine editors and repeat the process for every piece of short writing you create. Facilitated by Sherry Kesling. **Register:** 480-488-2286.

Remembering our Stories

A Writing Group

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



Experience connection and get inspired in a writing group that will nurture your heart and spirit, as well as spark your creativity. Absolutely no writing experience needed! Questions? Contact Life and Wellness Coach, Sharon Spector, at 512-460-9108. **Register:** 480-488-2286.

December 11 • 10-11:30 am (2nd Mondays)

Meet monthly to share stories and receive constructive feedback. Organized by Elena Pavlova. No registration.



DESERT FOOTHILLS LIBRARY

HOLIDAY SCIENCE WITH MRS. CLAUS

Tuesday, December 12 • 10:30 am–Noon

Children ages 3 to 6 are invited to this fun, free holiday event 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 follow. Join 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 with a K12 associate. Siblings are welcome. **Register:** 480-488-2286.



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 participate). 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:** \$20; or \$15 with AARP member card (checks only), **plus** \$5 cash/check to Desert Foothills Library.



MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUPS

Led by *Hospice of the West* facilitators.
No registration.

Caring for the Caregiver

December 4 • 10–11:30 am (1st Mondays)

Taking care of yourself is essential in being able to take care of your loved one. Join us for this opportunity to fellowship with other caregivers.

"The Healing Pathway"

After the Loss of a Spouse or Partner

December 11 & 26 • 9:30–11 am
(2nd Monday & 4th Tuesday this month only)

Join us on this Journey that will guide you to find a "NEW NORMAL" as you process through your personal grief journey.

SPANISH OFFERINGS

Intermediate Conversational

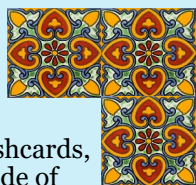
Every Wednesday • 10:30 am–Noon

Informal chat session using various books, flashcards, etc. Some weeks may feature a half-hour episode of the Destinos DVD series, followed by discussion in Spanish. No instructor. No registration.

Spanish Classes

New session begins January/February.

Instructor Alina Lowen is a native speaker with 30+ years' experience. Call Alina directly to discuss your appropriate class level: 480-595-5500. Limited class sizes. **Registration required** at least 2 days prior to class start: 480-488-2286. **Cost:** \$54 for 6 - week series.



Details at www.dfla.org December 2017

BEST PLACE IN THE COUNTRY

Military Training in Arizona during World War II

Tuesday, December 12 • 10:30–11:30 am

Arizona had some of the largest pilot and gunnery training facilities in the world during World War II. There were over 60 airfields to train pilots, bombardiers, aerial gunners and navigators. Speaker Steve Hoza will present artifacts as well as many first-person stories from the men and women who trained for war in air, right here in Arizona. One lucky attendee will be randomly selected to receive a free, signed copy of *Chameleons: An Untold World War II Story* by Marcus A. Nannini. **Register:** 480-488-2286.



COMPUTER/TABLET CLASSES

All classes below taught by Tech4Life
Registration required: 480-488-2286



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.



TEEN TECH HELP DESK

Saturday, December 9 • 10 am–2 pm

Brandon Holmes: 480-695-2638

Sunday, December 3 & 17 • 11 am–1 pm

Bo Manuszak: manuszakbo@yahoo.com

Get help with e-mail accounts, apps, downloading e-books, setting up devices, Windows 10, websites & more! Bring your device or use a library computer to get your questions answered. Contact Brandon or Bo for more information. No appointments needed; 1st-come, 1st-served.

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AROUND THE WORLD IN 9 FILMS

The Best in International Cinema

December 8 • 1–3 pm (2nd Fridays)

Movies are a great way to learn about different cultures -- how people live, love, laugh, and cope with hardships and tragedy. This series will explore films from nine different countries, each one telling the story of individuals caught up in conflicts unique to their culture and country and yet, at the same time, linking a thread of humanity that stretches across the globe. A post-film discussion, facilitated by Gary Zaro, Humanities Professor from Paradise Valley Community College (PVCC), will follow. **This Month:** *The Farewell Party* (95 min.). Israel. **Register:** 480-488-2286.



WWI CINEMATIC REFLECTIONS

The 100th Anniversary

December 15 • 3–5 pm (3rd Fridays)



Inevitable, but also easily avoidable, World War I is one of the most tragic and unique wars in history. This series will highlight films that define the triumphs, tragedies, innovations, and sacrifices in what was hailed as "The War to End All Wars." WWI will ultimately cause WWII and shape the entire 20th Century. A post-film discussion, facilitated by Gary Zaro, Humanities Professor from Paradise Valley Community College (PVCC), will follow. **This**

month: *Joyeux Noel* (116 min.). **Register:** 480-488-2286.

MONDAY MOVIES

@ THE LIBRARY

Every Monday, 3 – 5 p.m. (No Movie 12/25)
New Releases, with a Foreign Film once each month! Check our website www.dfla.org for titles.



MUSIC @ 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 (Albert Finney) as the parsimonious miser with a heart of stone who hates the revelry of the Christmas holiday. Thirteen songs are performed in what has endured to be an annual holiday musical classic. 86 min. Hosted by Music Enthusiast Annis Scott. No Registration.



ASK AT THE FRONT DESK!!

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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 socialize. Supervised play will help illustrate more advanced conventions as they are taught. If participants are interested, 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 • 1:30–4:30pm

Must have basic knowledge of the game. Limited space.

Cost: \$4 cash/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.



Monday, May 7, 2018

**Desert Foothills Library
Golf Tournament**



at Desert Forest Golf Club
Carefree, AZ

DETAILS AT www.dfla.org



Today I'm taking
responsibility for
my own happiness.

CREATING GLATITUDE

December 16 • Noon–2 pm

Digging deep doesn't mean you have to get and keep your hands dirty. Get involved with what's making and keeping you stuck. See how you'll shine inside and out. Author and Life Coach, Raleigh Pinsky helps you establish credibility, prosper & even surpass your goals. Questions? Call 480-488-4840 or email raleigh@creatingglatitude.com.
Registration Required: 480-488-2286. **Cost:** \$8.

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 480-513-0701.
Cost: \$6 cash, pay to instructor at each class.



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 Bou at 480-284-1300 or bina.b75@gmail.com.
Cost: Prepay instructor \$35 cash for 5 classes, or \$10 drop-in.

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 mkachuro1@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 evboisson@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 602-931-2865.
Cost: \$10 cash, pay instructor at each class.



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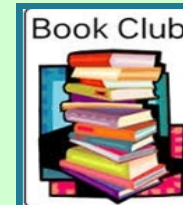
December 21 • 10 am–Noon
(3rd Thursdays)

December Topic: Sharing Holiday Stories. Embrace the holiday season. Think of a favorite book or experience or tradition you would like to share. Perhaps you watch such movies as *It's a Wonderful Life*, or *Miracle on 34th Street* or have seen *The Nutcracker* ballet. No Registration.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

December 14 • 10–11:30 am (2nd Thursdays)

Holiday Event. Questions? Email Jo Niemeyer at niemeyerjoann@gmail.com.



PASSPORT SERVICES

Passport books & cards with photo services and regular or expedited services.
Appointments essential.
Call direct at 480-575-3201.



FREE* Adult Events

*Except where noted.
Visit our website for details: www.dfla.org

DECEMBER 2017

Check It Out!



CRAFT & BAKE SALE

Saturday, December 2 • 10 am–3 pm

Come and share the holiday spirit! Take care of holiday shopping, have treats and coffee, and feel good knowing that all benefits the Library. We will celebrate with holiday décor and live music!

A DUET MUSICFEST @ THE DESERT FOOTHILLS LIBRARY

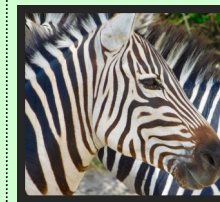
Tuesday, December 5 • 7 pm

The Library hosts the 7th annual performance of a *Duet*. Maestro Robert Moody is joined by vocalist Alice Tatum and musicians, including Nicole Pesce and Hannah Goldstick. There will be Prosecco, coffee and dessert prior to the performance courtesy of the English Rose Tea Room. The fee of \$30 for this event benefits the Library and AZMusicfest, both non-profit organizations. Fee is due when **RSVPing in advance:** 480-488-2286.



EAST AFRICA the Land, Wildlife and People

Thursday, December 14 • 3–4 pm



Through his presentation, speaker Donald Pearman Jr. will share his month long travel ventures in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania. Meet the people away from the urban areas -- especially the Maasai. Visit the Great Rift Valley and experience the wild animals up-close and personal.

Register: 480-488-2286.



LIBRARY/BOOKSTORE HOURS

Monday–Friday
9 am–6 pm
Saturday, 10 am–4 pm
Sunday, 11 am–3 pm

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HOLIDAYS—CLOSED
December 24, 25 & 31