

Five Fun Fall Events at the Library

What type of Friend would we be if we didn't point out some great free activities taking place at Scottsdale Public Library (SPL) through the end of 2022.

1. Scottsdale Snow Day

Friday, December 2 at 4pm

Civic Center Library SkyRoom

Learn about polymers and bring your children ages 6-11 to make their own snow. This event is also available December 13 at 3:30pm at Arabian Library, December 14 at 4pm at Appaloosa Library, and December 15 at 4pm at Mustang Library.

2. Hometown Happy Hour: Fashionable Scottsdale

Monday, December 5 at 5:30pm

Mustang Library

Join Scottsdale historian Joan Fudala for a photo-rich presentation on Scottsdale's historic fashion trends, including our tenure as Fashion Capital of the Southwest. Enjoy a beverage and light snack before the presentation.

3. Book to Film Discussion: A Christmas Carol (1938)

Tuesday, December 13 at 1pm

Appaloosa Library Meeting Room 1 & 2

Enjoy a viewing of the 1938 film adaptation of Charles Dickens' Holiday classic featuring Reginald Owen and Gene Lockhart. A discussion will follow the screening.



4. Photo Bookbinding Workshop

Wednesday, December 14 at 1pm

Civic Center Library SHC Program Room

Bring 10 or more photos and local artist Steffi Faircloth will help you collage them into a unique storybook.

5. Gingerbread Jan Storytime

Monday, December 19 at 10:30am

Arabian Library Program Room

Entertain children ages 0-5 with a 30 minute Holiday storytime with Gingerbread Jan.

Please visit <https://scottsdale.libnet.info/events> to learn more and register for events.

Your Friend at the Library: Ray Ceo



Ray Ceo Jr is the Supervisor of Volunteers at SPL. If you've ever interacted with the incredible library volunteers, you can thank Ray for helping us find (and keep) these amazing assets.

Ray not only recruits new SPL volunteers, but he interviews and trains them on a variety of roles. He visits all SPL branches to check in with them and say thank you for their hard work.

One of his recent projects has been ramping back up the SPL volunteer program, which was paused during the COVID-19 pandemic. SPL now has over 60 returning volunteers, a number that is growing every day.

Ray is completing his one year anniversary at SPL in November, but he is by no means new to libraries. He has worked in libraries since he was 17 years old, and was previously employed at the Chandler and Glendale Public Libraries.

Originally from Prescott, Ray graduated from Arizona State University with a BA in English and a concentration in Creative Writing. He is currently working on his Master's Degree in Library and Information Science from Valdosta State University.

In his spare time, Ray enjoys watching movies, reading, and writing. He even wrote a book that is available for sale on Amazon.com.

He also has two adorable terriers and a nearly five-year-old nephew who has his library card.

In the Loop: A Note from the Library Director

By Kira Peters: Director, Scottsdale Public Library

The theme of the Fall *In the Library Loop* update is development for community betterment (try saying that three times quickly!).

SPL understands the importance of continually and thoughtfully keeping up with development both professionally and physically. Here is what your public library team is doing around the area of development.



Construction Development | Scottsdale Civic Center Progress

Construction continues on the [Scottsdale Civic Center](#), previously referred to as the “Scottsdale Mall.” This project is one of the bond projects approved by voters in November 2019.



This area which is in the heart and hub of City operations, including the library and Scottsdale Arts is an active construction site. If you are in the area, you can now see the impressive venue structures taking shape. The Scottsdale Civic Center is Scottsdale’s signature special event and public gathering place.

There will be a children’s area adjacent to the east lawn and library staff are already planning how to incorporate both youth and adult literacy programming in this beautiful community oasis.

Development in Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI)

A committee made up of six to eight members of SPL management will further this important initiative to ensure that SPL is not using diversity equity and inclusion as a buzzword, but rather that we are infusing DEI into our everyday work together as a team. DEI is a vast topic, so we have decided to break it down and focus on staff development.

The committee is working on a framework to engage library staff in what we know may be some uncomfortable conversations on diversity of race, ethnicity, religion, economic status, housing, culture, and gender to name just a few.

Additionally, the committee will review and evaluate library policies and procedures to address any barriers to DEI on that level. Libraries are for everyone. SPL will continually foster a welcoming space for all.

Thank you, Friends of the Scottsdale Public Library.



Fun(draising) with Friends: We Love Your Support

Krispy Kreme Fundraiser Runs Through November 30

The Friends is partnering with Krispy Kreme on a Digital Dozen doughnut fundraiser during the month of November.



KRISPY KREME DOZENS TO SUPPORT

Friends of the Scottsdale Public Library

For just \$12, you can purchase a voucher online that can be redeemed for a dozen original glazed doughnuts at any Krispy Kreme location.

The Friends will receive \$4.50 (over 33 percent) of your purchase price as a donation. We have set a goal of 100 dozen sold.

This is a great fundraiser even if you don't have a sweet tooth, because the vouchers don't expire and you can purchase them for loved ones as stocking stuffers.

Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/spldonuts> before November 30 to purchase your Digital Dozen voucher and help us reach our goal.

Sold Out Art & Wine Event a Smashing Success



The Friends once again partnered with Anticus Fine Art Gallery and Books in Old Town Scottsdale on an art, book, and wine fundraiser on Sunday, September 18 that raised over \$800.

To celebrate Banned Books Week, Friends Director Anna Unterberger read passages from five famous banned books including [The Great Gatsby](#) and [The](#)

[Handmaid's Tale](#).

Anticus owner Phillip Payne showcased five art pieces tied into the literary works, and served a five course meal paired with tastings from LDV Winery. The intimate gathering featured eight Friends members among the 15 tickets sold to art, book, and wine enthusiasts.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend one of our three sold out art, books, and wine fundraisers in 2022. The Friends also wishes to thank Anticus and LDV Winery for their partnership.

Friends Donates \$34k to SPL in 2022

The Friends has donated over \$34,000 to library programs so far in 2022, and we couldn't do this without our members.

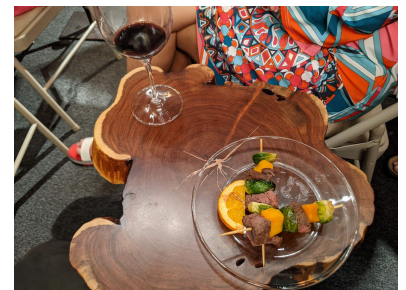
Recent donations include:

- \$12,000 for the cardholder concert (see page 4)
- \$1,250 for Dial-a-Story
- \$500 for Scottsdale Seed Library

Be sure to pick up free seeds at the Mustang branch (up to three packets per month) to keep your garden in top shape.

You can also call (480) 787-0875 to hear a free bilingual children's story. Titles rotate weekly and include popular stories like "Sleeping Beauty" and "The Ugly Duckling."

We hope to continue supporting great programs in 2023.



Free Cardholder Concert Attracts 700+ SPL Patrons

The Friends sponsored the second SPL Cardholder Celebration on Saturday, November 5 at Scottsdale Stadium, including a free concert from Uncorked the Band.



The Friends donated \$12,000 to pay for entertainment, including face painters and balloon twisters.

This year's concert had an attendance of over 700 people. SPL also presented the winner of the age 0-5 library card design contest.

The Friends hosted a table at the celebration to hand out bookmarks, flyers, fidget spinners, and glowing wands. The Friends once again conducted a 50/50 raffle at the event, generating over \$400 in sales. Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets.

Congratulations 2022 Spirit of Literacy Winners!

As a special program during the SPL Cardholder Celebration, the Friends presented the 2022 Spirit of Literacy (SOL) Awards in a public presentation for the first time.

[This year's honorees](#) included Peggy Sharp Chamberlain, Phillip Payne, Mariko Whelan, and the Literary Society of the Southwest (LSSW).

All of them provide significant contributions to support libraries and literacy in Scottsdale.



Each of the four winners received a custom glass award presented by Scottsdale Mayor David Ortega.

This was the 20th anniversary of the first SOL Awards presented in 2002. Please visit <https://scottsdalelibraryfriends.org/programs/sol> to see the full list of SOL winners.

Book Club Update



If you are setting a New Years Resolution to read more, the Friends book club might be the perfect place to start.

Open to members at the Contributing Friend level or higher, here is a preview of the next two books.

On December 1, the club will discuss [The Pages](#) by Hugo Hamilton. This thriller is narrated by a nearly 100 year old novel that contains clues to a treasure, and will be unlike any other book you have ever read.

On January 26, the discussed book will be [The Diamond Eye](#) by Kate Quinn. A New York Times best-seller based on a true story, this novel tells the story of an avid female reader who becomes a World War II sniper.

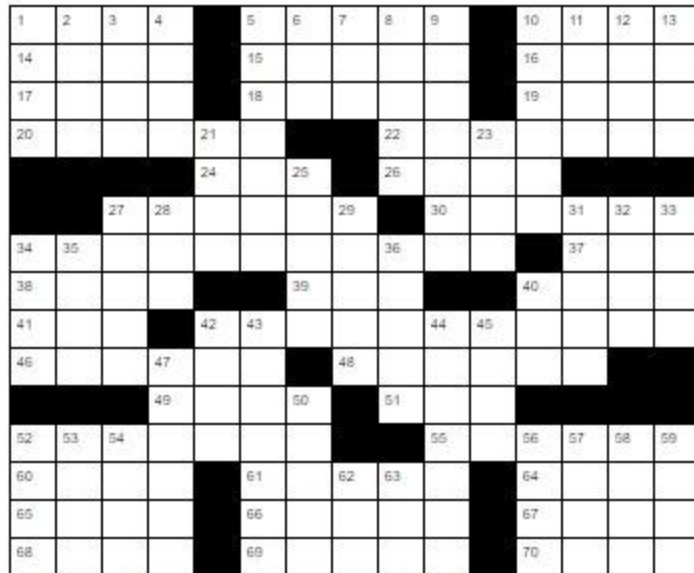
Please send an email to doolingwilber@yahoo.com if you wish to join the Friends book club, and we will provide further meeting details.

Fun & Games: Crossword Puzzle

Please enjoy this book-themed crossword puzzle. For all clues in bold type, the answer is an author's last name whose well-known work's title or story has to do with fall months or foliage (solution on page 6).

Across

1. Inflection
5. Fruit or vegetable
10. Actress Collins or Cusack
14. Dry
15. Ship crossing seas
16. Up to the task
17. Highway division
18. Temporary stoppage of breathing
19. Layer of paint
19. **The Hunt for Red October** author
22. **A Christmas Carol** author
24. "___ the ramparts we watched"
26. ___ gin fizz
27. Container to store wine
30. Bury a mummy
34. **Twelfth Night** author
37. "Norma ___"
38. Prefix for -chute or -graph
39. Hearing organ
40. Not moving
41. Insurance company (acronym)
42. **The Giving Tree** author
46. Halloween candy
48. Captivate
49. Prefix for -phone or -vision
51. Assist
52. **Leaves of Grass** author
55. **It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown** author
60. Disappear
61. Thank you in Paris
64. Sandwich cookie
65. Cooking appliance
66. "Actually" (2 words)
67. What Jack Sprat's wife couldn't eat
68. Hoover Dam lake



69. Temporary shelters in woods
70. Truth or ___
- Down**
1. Baby powder mineral
2. Spoken
3. One of Columbus' ships
4. First garden
5. Athletes on the field/court
6. Kiss target
7. Actress Davis or Margaret
8. Requires
9. Movie preview
10. Winter clothing
11. Reed instrument
12. Actor Alda or Thicke
13. Brooklyn NBA team
21. Apple leftover
23. Ice cream holder
25. Drive away
27. Boat for transporting goods
28. Alias (acronym)
29. Depart
31. Law & ___
32. West African country
33. "It's ___ a long time"
34. Brief argument
35. What bald people lack
36. Indoor sports location
40. OJ trial judge
42. Plant connector
43. Pertaining to the Qaran
44. Dried grapes
45. Army space org (acronym)
47. Make an appearance
50. Fluid injection into rectum
52. Who alternative
53. Bee home
54. Thought
56. Grasp
57. Primary urine output
58. Cordelia's King father
59. Designated area
62. "Everybody Hurts" band
63. Limit

New Friends Signage Now on Display

Welcome Two New Board Directors



The Friends is proud to announce two new members of its Board of Directors: Tiffany Bieret (left picture) and Ashley Francis. Welcome to the team, ladies!

We are always looking for volunteers to help us fulfill our mission.

Please send an email to scottsdalelibraryfriends@gmail.com if you (or someone you know) would like to join our Board. We are very Friendly.

The next time you stop into an SPL branch, be sure to check out the new display stands prominently showcasing all things Friends.

The signs feature customizable content to promote Friends fundraisers and events, a list of membership benefits, and a QR code that links to the Friends' website.

Below each stand is a shelf that contains membership brochures, bookmarks, and other relevant event flyers.

Thank you to SPL staff for helping with the design and providing the opportunity for all library patrons to learn about the Friends. We hope to recruit even more members in 2023.



Remember Friends on Cyber Monday, Giving Tuesday

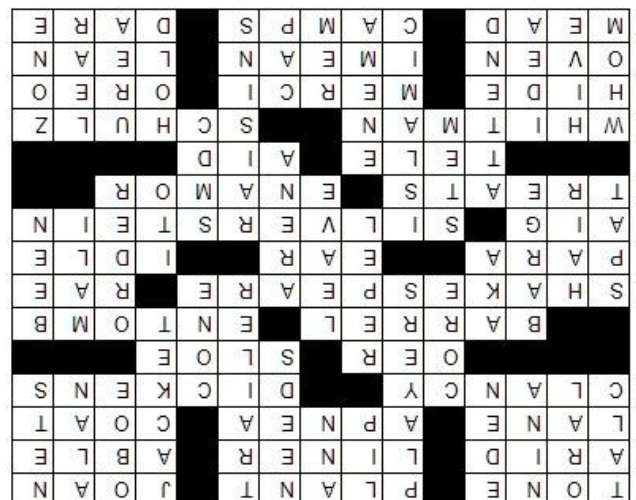
Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and that presents several opportunities to support the Friends.

If you are shopping for Thanksgiving groceries, be sure to [pair your Fry's Rewards card](#) with the Friends and donations will occur automatically every time you shop. You only need to pair your account once.

For those exploring great deals online for Cyber Monday on November 28, use AmazonSmile to make your purchases. It is the same experience as Amazon.com, but the Friends will receive .1% of your purchase. To use our AmazonSmile link, visit <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/86-0542150> for all your online shopping needs.

Giving Tuesday will take place on November 29, and it is a great time to [renew your Friends membership](#). You can also purchase memberships for friends and loved ones.

Happy Holidays from the Friends of the Scottsdale Public Library. We look forward to seeing you in 2023!



Answer Key