

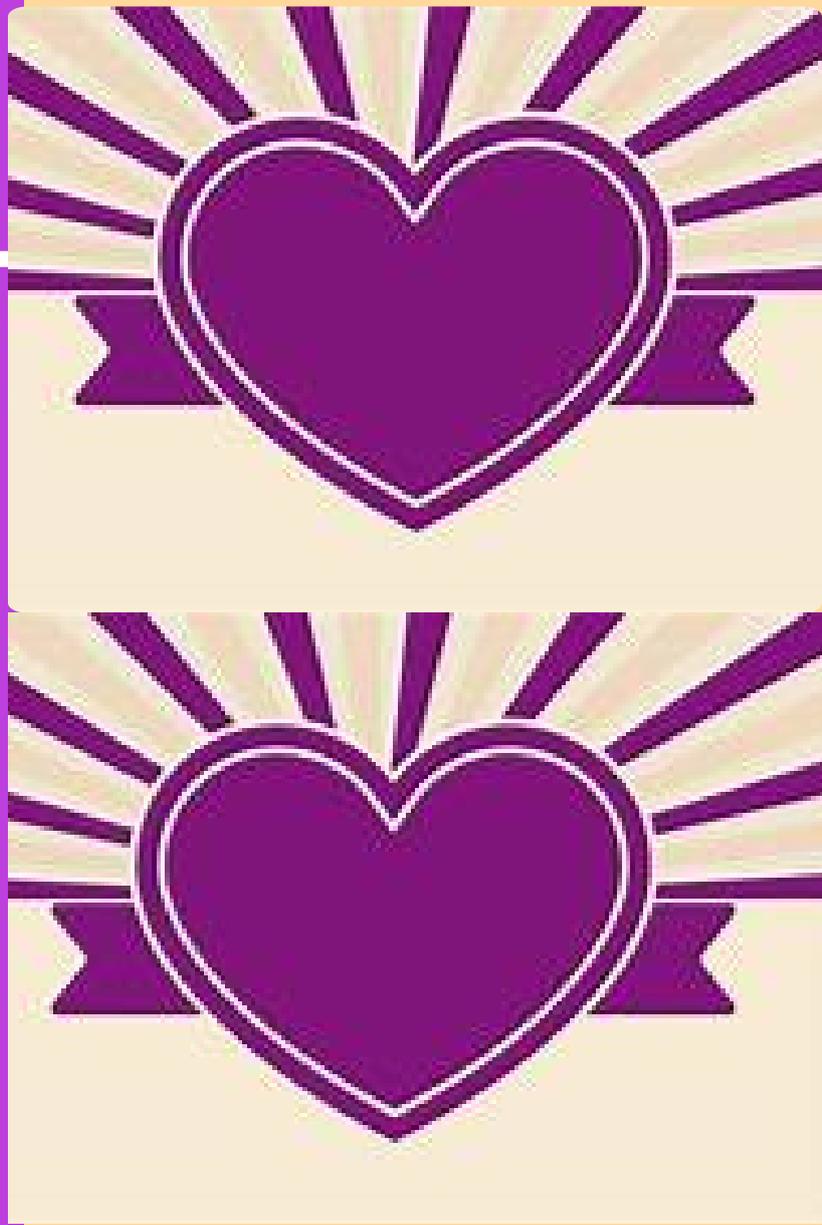
Community

Connection

FEBRUARY 2026

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The Community Center will be closed on February 16th in observance of Presidents Day and February 20th for the Fountain Festival of Fine Arts and Craft..



GREETINGS FROM OUR STAFF

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Community Center
13001 N La Montana Drive
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268
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Hours:

Monday - Thursday 8 a.m.- 8 p.m.
Fridays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



New 2026 Memberships Available!

Our Community Center membership provides an opportunity to engage with your community, learn new skills, and stay active. We're thrilled to bring you a diverse range of activities from exercise classes, line dancing, card games, mah jongg, movies, educational presentations, a paint studio, and social events. A place where entertainment, education and relaxation come together!

Become a member today to unlock a world of opportunities to connect with like-minded individuals. The Center has a calendar year membership fee of \$35 for Fountain Hills residents and winter visitors. There is a \$50 non-resident fee (Scottsdale, Mesa, Rio Verde, etc.).

Memberships are good through December 31, 2026.



FREE TAX PREPARATION



Free tax preparation services will be available for seniors, individuals with disabilities, and low-income residents.

Appointments can be booked online now
www.mastersofcoin.org

You may also book by visiting the Community Center front desk or calling us 480-816-5200.

VISIT WWW.MASTERSOFCOIN.ORG TO DETERMINE YOUR ELIGIBILITY

Great Decisions

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. Each week, participants will read a chapter in the Great Decisions Briefing Book, watch a video (in class) and meet in a local discussion group to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today.

Thursdays, February 5th-March 26th; 1:00 - 3:30 pm; Course #3684
 Pre-registration required.; Space is limited.

Participant must provide an email address for instructor to send info prior to start of class. The briefing book available in January is required (\$35+s/h), order online www.fpa.org or 800-477-5836.

MAH JONGG LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS

Wednesdays - 4 week class
(February 11th, 18th, 25th, March 4th)

9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Pre-registration is required

Community Center membership required

Course #3976; Cost is \$40; Instructor: Gail Oliphant

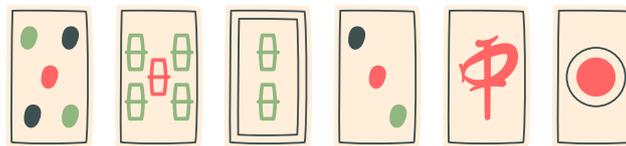
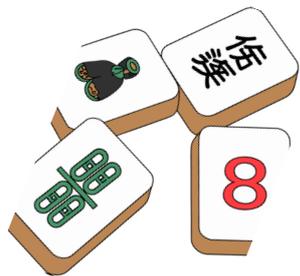


BEGINNING MAH JONGG NOW OPEN TO ALL SKILL LEVELS



Our Beginning Mah Jongg class has been redesigned and is now open to all skill levels! Beginners to advanced players are all welcome. Join us for relaxed play and a fun environment.

March Mah Jongg Madness in Centennial Circle!



Join us for an exciting morning of tiles, strategy, and fun as we host
March Mah Jongg Madness in our beautiful Centennial Circle!

Don't miss this chance to mix and mingle with fellow Mah Jongg enthusiasts.
Seats are limited — register early, call or stop by the Community Center

- Friday, March 6th, 9:00am-12:00pm; Course #3757
- \$20 per person fee
- \$5.00 discount if purchased by February 7th
- Additional \$5.00 discount for 2026 members of Fountain Hills Community Center

- **Beginner** (Note- Must know how to play, this is not a teaching class)
- **Intermediate**
- **Advanced-** but not for money
- **Money Table-** \$5.00 Pie Limit- Bring \$5.00 in change with you

Players wishing to play together should arrive together

February 2026

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| <p>2</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 9:00a Geri-Fit Fall Prevent 9:00a Open Table Tennis 10:00a Mens Discussion 10:30a Conver. Spanish 11:00a Caregivers Group 11:45a Duplicate Bridge 12:00p Sign Lang Meetup 12:30p Poker 1:00p Hi Beg/Low Impr Ln Dnc 1:00p Cribbage 1:00p Pinochle 1:00p Beg Mah Jongg 5:00p Aerobic Chair Exer 5:00p Hand&Foot Cards</p> | <p>3</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:00a Women's Poker 9:30a Intermed. Line Dance 10:00a Hooks & Needles 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Simple Yoga 11:00a Sign Lang Meetup 11:30a Advanced Line Dance 12:00p Social Dupl Bridge 12:00p Blood Pressure Chk 1:00p Bingo 1:00p Mah Jongg 1:00p Movie 5:30p Open Table Tennis 6:30p Ukulele for Beginners</p> | <p>4</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 8:30a Intermed. Bridge 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:30a Mah Jongg Lessons 10:00a Open Paint Studio 11:00a Parkinson's Support 12:30p Poker 1:00p Scrabble/Rummikub 1:00p Euchre 1:00p Hand & Foot 1:00p Spanish for Beginners 2:00p Open Jam Session 5:00p Mini-Series Movies 5:45p Bunco</p> | <p>5</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Yoga/Pilates 9:00a Tech Time w/Mark 9:30a Beg. Line Dance 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Intermediate Spanish 10:00a Simple Yoga 11:00a Quilts N More 1:00p Mid/High Impr Line Dnc 1:00p Table Talk-Women 1:00p Hand & Foot Cards 1:00p Great Decisions 1:00p Golden Age of Radio 2:00p AZ Plant Lady 4:00p Poker 5:00p Open Paint Studio 5:00p Movie 5:00p Evening Beg Line Dnc</p> | <p>6</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 8:30a Intermed. Bridge 9:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Pinochle 12:30p Trad Mah Jongg 12:30p Siamese Mah Jongg 1:00p Open Table Tennis 1:00p Mex. Train Dominoes 1:00p Woodcarvers/Table Top Art 1:00p Brd Gms/Rummikub 1:00p Documentary Series 1:00p Matter of Balance 2:30p Legal Consultations*</p> |
| <p>9</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 9:00a Geri-Fit Fall Prevent 9:00a Open Table Tennis 10:00a Men's Discussion 10:30a Conver. Spanish 11:45a Duplicate Bridge 12:00p Sign Lang Meetup 12:30p Poker 1:00p Hi Beg/Low Impr Ln Dnc 1:00p Cribbage 1:00p Pinochle 1:00p Beg Mah Jongg 5:00p Aerobic Chair Exer 5:00p Hand&Foot Cards 6:30p Mystery Book Club</p> | <p>10</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:00a Women's Poker 9:30a Intermed. Line Dance 10:00a Hooks & Needles 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Simple Yoga 10:00a Memoir Writer's Grp 11:00a Sign Lang Meetup 11:30a Advanced Line Dance 1:00p Bingo 1:00p Mah Jongg 1:00p Movie 5:30p Open Table Tennis</p> | <p>11</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 8:30a Intermed. Bridge 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:00a Care Cards 9:30a Mah Jongg Lessons 10:00a Open Paint Studio 12:30p Poker 1:00p Scrabble/Rummikub 1:00p Euchre 1:00p Hand & Foot 1:00p Spanish for Beginners 2:00p Open Jam Session 2:00p AZ Trails; Travel Styles 5:00p Mini-Series Movies 5:45p Bunco 5:45p Photo Enthusiasts</p> | <p>12</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:30a Beg. Line Dance 9:30a Memory Café 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Intermediate Spanish 10:00a Simple Yoga 1:00p Mid/High Impr Line Dnc 1:00p Table Talk-Women 1:00p Hand & Foot Cards 1:00p Great Decisions 4:00p Poker 5:00p Open Paint Studio 5:00p Movie 5:00p Evening Beg Line Dnc</p> | <p>13</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 8:30a Intermed. Bridge 9:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Pinochle 10:00a Medicare Consult* 12:30p Trad Mah Jongg 12:30p Siamese Mah Jongg 1:00p Open Table Tennis 1:00p Mex. Train Dominoes 1:00p Woodcarvers/Table Top Art 1:00p Brd Gms/Rummikub 1:00p Documentary Series 1:00p Matter of Balance</p> |
| <p>16</p> <p>Community Center will be Closed in observance of Presidents Day</p>  | <p>17</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:00a Women's Poker 9:30a Intermed. Line Dance 10:00a Hooks & Needles 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Simple Yoga 11:00a Sign Lang Meetup 11:30a Advanced Line Dance 12:00p Social Dupl Bridge 1:00p Bingo 1:00p Mah Jongg 1:00p Movie 1:00p Swing time 5:30p Open Table Tennis 6:30p Ukulele for Beginners</p> | <p>18</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 8:30a Intermed. Bridge 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:30a Mah Jongg Lessons 10:00a Open Paint Studio 12:30p Poker 1:00p Scrabble/Rummikub 1:00p Euchre 1:00p Hand & Foot 1:00p Spanish for Beginners 1:00p Encore Speaker Series 2:00p Open Jam Session 5:00p Mini-Series Movies 5:45p Bunco</p> | <p>19</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:30a Beg. Line Dance 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Intermediate Spanish 10:00a Simple Yoga 1:00p Mid/High Impr Line Dnc 1:00p Table Talk-Women 1:00p Hand & Foot Cards 1:00p Great Decisions 2:00p NASA Search for Water 4:00p Poker 5:00p Open Paint Studio 5:00p Movie 5:00p Evening Beg Line Dnc</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Community Center will be closed for the Fountain Festival of Fine Arts and Crafts</p>  |
| <p>23</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 9:00a Geri-Fit Fall Prevent 9:00a Open Table Tennis 10:00a Men's Discussion 10:30a Conver. Spanish 11:45a Duplicate Bridge 12:00p Sign Lang Meetup 12:30p Poker 1:00p Hi Beg/Low Impr Ln Dnc 1:00p Cribbage 1:00p Pinochle 1:00p Beg Mah Jongg 5:00p Aerobic Chair Exer 5:00p Hand&Foot Cards</p> | <p>24</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:00a Women's Poker 9:15a Spooner; Injury Screen 9:30a Intermed. Line Dance 10:00a Hooks & Needles 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Simple Yoga 11:00a Sign Lang Meetup 11:30a Advanced Line Dance 1:00p Bingo 1:00p Mah Jongg 1:00p Movie 5:30p Open Table Tennis</p> | <p>25</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 8:30a Intermed. Bridge 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:30a Mah Jongg Lessons 10:00a Open Paint Studio 12:30p Poker 1:00p Scrabble/Rummikub 1:00p Euchre 1:00p Hand & Foot 1:00p Spanish for Beginners 2:00p Open Jam Session 5:00p Mini-Series Movies 5:45p Bunco</p> | <p>26</p> <p>8:00a Peer Led Exercise 8:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Video Gentle Yoga 9:30a Beg. Line Dance 10:00a Open Paint Studio 10:00a Intermediate Spanish 10:00a Simple Yoga 10:30a Alzheimer's Support 1:00p Mid/High Impr Line Dnc 1:00p Table Talk-Women 1:00p Hand & Foot Cards 1:00p Great Decisions 2:00p A Peculiar Savage Beau 4:00p Poker 5:00p Open Paint Studio 5:00p Movie 5:00p Evening Beg Line Dnc</p> | <p>27</p> <p>8:00a Back Fit w/Pilates 8:30a Intermed. Bridge 9:00a Aerobic Chair Exer. 9:00a Pinochle 10:00a Medicare Consult* 12:30p Trad Mah Jongg 12:30p Siamese Mah Jongg 1:00p Open Table Tennis 1:00p Mex. Train Dominoes 1:00p Woodcarvers/Table Top Art 1:00p Brd Gms/Rummikub 1:00p Documentary Series 1:00p Matter of Balance</p> |
|  | <p>480-816-5200 www.fountainhillsaz.gov * Appointment Needed</p> | <p>Dates and Times are Subject to change</p> | <p>Income Tax Appointments 480-816-5200</p> |  |

Presentations and Events (please pre-register)

February 5: Heat Proof Desert Landscaping with AZ Plant Lady

February 11: AZ Trails: Travel Styles - Including Solo Travel

February 18: Encore Speaker Series: Jerome - Too Stubborn to Die
with Jay Mark

February 19: NASA's Search for Water Beyond Earth with Dennis Robertson,
NASA Ambassador

February 26: A Peculiar Savage Beauty with Jessica McCann

Save the Date

March 3: AZ Trails: How Travel Changes As We Age

March 5: Nature as Therapy with Toni Vallee

March 11: ASU Travel & Pop Culture: Places featured in Your
Favorite Movies & TV Shows

March 18: Encore Speaker Series: The Bold, Brave, Gutsy Women
of Arizona's Past



Heat-Proof Desert Landscaping

by

Noelle Johnson; AZ Plant Lady | Horticulturist

Transform Your Desert Landscape into a Thriving Oasis

Tired of struggling to keep plants alive in the desert? AZ Plant Lady® makes it easy to create a stunning, low-maintenance garden that truly thrives in our unique climate. With over 25 years of desert gardening expertise, AZ Plant Lady® helps homeowners design beautiful outdoor spaces filled with vibrant, resilient plants that flourish year-round.

Thursday, February 5th, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Course #3426

Pre-registration required

Free for members; \$5 for non-members



Travel Series
with
Roxanne Boryczki



Series #2: Travel Styles, - including solo travel

- Travel styles
- Considerations in trip planning
- Environmental and social impact of travel

Wednesday, February 11th, 2:00-3:00 pm
Course #3670
Pre-registration required
Free for members, \$5 for non-members



Jerome Too Stubborn to Die
with Jay Mark

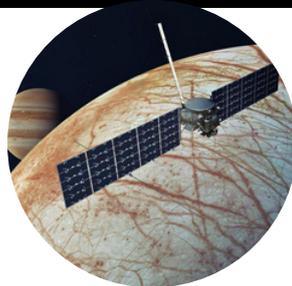
This presentation looks at the numerous disasters, tragedies, and setbacks the city of Jerome faced in its first three-quarters century and still came out on top. Jerome exploded to become the fourth largest city in Arizona. Less than half a century later, its population has dwindled to 243. The presentation includes many seldom seen images.

Wednesday, February 18th
1:00 - 2:15 pm
Course #3666
Pre-registration required
Free, Open to the Public

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NASA's Missions in Search of Water Beyond our Planet
with
Dennis M. Robertson



Join NASA Solar Ambassador, Dennis Robertson, for a fascinating journey through NASA's ongoing quest to find water—and life—beyond our planet. The presentation will highlight NASA's bold Europa Clipper Mission, launched in 2024 to explore Jupiter's moon Europa and its hidden ocean that could potentially support life. Don't miss this exciting look at the science shaping humanity's next great discovery!

Thursday, February 19th
2:00 - 3:00 pm; Course #3734
Pre-registration required
Free for members
\$5 for non-members

An Arizona Book of the Year
Peculiar Savage Beauty
with **Jessica McCann**

Step into history and the human spirit with Jessica McCann, acclaimed novelist and journalist. Her award-winning books — *All Different Kinds of Free*, *Peculiar Savage Beauty*, and *Bitter Thaw* — bring to life powerful stories of ordinary people achieving the extraordinary. With more than 35 years as a professional writer, Jessica's work is rich with themes of perseverance, forgiveness, and community.

Thursday, February 26th
2:00 - 3:00pm
Course #3422
Pre-registration required
Free for members
\$5 for nonmembers

COMMUNITY CENTER TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS

Arizona State University's **Osher Lifelong Learning Institute** and the **Fountain Hills Community Center** are proud to collaborate in offering enriching opportunities to learn, explore, and grow. Osher courses are led by exceptional instructors, distinguished professors, industry experts, and passionate scholars, who bring knowledge, experience, and curiosity to every class.

TRAVEL & POP CULTURE: PLACES FEATURED IN YOUR FAVORITE MOVIES & TV SHOWS

 Wednesday, March 11

 1:00 - 2:30 PM

 Course #3810

 Registration Required | Community Center Members Only

Course Details

From *Jaws* to *The Graduate*, *James Bond* to *The Birds*, *Midnight Express* to *Breaking Bad*, take a journey with a leading travel journalist to explore the places around the world where some of the most iconic movies and TV series were filmed. We'll also visit the childhood haunts of Elvis Presley, The Beatles, and Buddy Holly, and uncover a British pop star's surprising connection to the Alamo.

Instructor Info

Dan Fellner, longtime Arizona State University faculty associate, is an accomplished travel writer and journalism instructor, with over 160 published articles appearing in outlets such as *USA Today* and *The Washington Post*. Fellner teaches courses in journalism, public relations, international media, and travel writing, bringing real-world global experience to every presentation.

How to Register



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Volunteer Services

Kim Wickland: Volunteer Coordinator

Nita Blose: Community Center Assistant, Home Delivered Meals

Renee Stephenson: Community Center Assistant, Volunteer Services

For more information on Volunteer Services: www.fountainhillsaz.gov/volunteer

*Crafts
Coffee*

UPCOMING

Join us as we create Thinking of You
Cards and Crafts for Our
Home Delivered Meal Clients

Community Center Lounge
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Care Card Crafts and Coffee

Feb
11



Pom Pom Hearts

March
11



Lucky Wood Craft

April
8



Pressed Flower Bookmarks

May
13



Memorial Day Wreath

June
10



Mason Jar Flower
Centerpieces

July
8



Painted Scallop Shells

Cards, Craft Supplies
and Refreshments Provided



Please contact Kim Wickland with Questions
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kwickland@fountainhillsaz.gov



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**SATURDAY
03.14.26
11AM-5PM
FOUNTAIN PARK**

11:00 A.M.FESTIVAL OPENS
 11:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.I AM HOLOGRAM
 12:00 P.M.GREENING OF THE FOUNTAIN
 1:00-2:00 P.M.KILTED SPIRIT BAND
 2:00-3:00 P.M.MESA CALEDONIAN PIPE BAND
 3:00-5:00 P.M.TRAVELER - CELTIC ROCK BAND
 4:00 P.M.GREENING OF THE FOUNTAIN

BEER GARDEN WILL BE OPEN FROM 11AM-5PM

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