

Library full of holiday fun next month

December is almost here, a month that carries a kind of magic for people. The Georgetown Square is alight, and the coming month is dotted with lights and celebrations throughout. Special days include Hanukkah, Christmas Day, the Winter Solstice, and Kwanzaa. However they celebrate, all families are invited to the Georgetown Public Library's Penguin Playground at 6 p.m. December 7. The Penguin Playground includes games, treats, crafts and the option to take a picture with Santa.

For a little grown-up magic, a Holiday Craft Crawl for anyone ages 18 and older will be at 7 p.m. December 14. Attendees will be able to make a hot chocolate kit, a fillable ornament, a bookmark and a sugar scrub for lips to gift to

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their favorite people ... or keep for themselves. To ensure sufficient supplies, please plan on just one visit to each craft station per person.

The library has lots of other magic in store as well for December: four art exhibits, three artist receptions, two (tween and teen) escape rooms, and a live jazz performance in the lobby. Exhibits by Dale Illig (reception and film showing on December 2) and Marissa Palmer will continue, and two new exhibits begin on December 3: a group exhibit by members of the Central Texas Pastel Society and a textile exhibit by Susan

Hoppenworth will both be upstairs at the library and will be celebrated at receptions on December 7 and 9, respectively.

The tween and teen escape room programs will both be on December 8. The tweens (ages 9-12) will meet at 1 p.m. for snacks, drinks, crafts and games in addition to the escape room activity. (Note: This program is limited to 24 participants, and free tickets will be available one hour before the program.) The teens (ages 13-18) will meet at 3 p.m. and will be able to do a 10-minute escape room activity, then have snacks and watch episodes of Stranger Things, a science fiction television series set in the fictional town of Hawkins, Indiana, in the 1980s.

December's Live Music at

the Library performance will feature jazz vocalist Danielle Reich, an interpreter of the Great American Songbook, the canon of American popular songs and jazz standards.

To this classic repertoire, she adds an eclectic array of French chanson, gypsy jazz, Western Swing, and jazz-interpreted pop. Danielle will be joined by three Austin greats: mandolinist Paul Glasse, guitarist Russell Scanlon and bassist Glenn Schuetz, performing hits of the 1920s, 30s and 40s.

However else you spend your time in December, I hope you have something good to read and a cozy place to read it. See you at the library!

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Library events

- October 30-November 30 Worth a Thousand Words exhibit (second floor)
- October 30-December 28 Marissa Palmer: Eye See Divergence & Dissent exhibit (first floor)
- November 20-December 6 Dale Illig: Pictures from India: Peace Corps, 1969-1972 exhibit (first and second floors)
- December 2, 3-6 p.m., Public reception for Dale Illig with a 4:30 showing of the film A Tubewell for Kapura Village and a question and answer session.
- December 3-28 Central Texas Pastel Society: Celebrate 20 Years of Brilliant Color! exhibit (second floor)
- December 9, 2-4 p.m. Artist reception for Susan Hoppenworth
- December 14, 7 p.m. Adultish Holiday Craft Crawl
- December 16, 2 p.m. Danielle Reich, jazz vocalist (Live Music at the Library)
- Consult the Library Events Calendar at library.georgetown.org for more information.

Salado celebrates Scottish heritage

Saldo celebrates its place as Scottish Heart of Texas every year. I attended the 57th Scottish Gathering and Highland Games the second weekend of November. The oldest Scottish festival in Texas includes bagpipes, highland dancing, Scottish athletic competitions, "Bonniest Knees" contest, live Celtic music, shopping and food. A highlight of the event is the parade of 'clans and bands.'

Salado's Scottish history goes back to when Empresario Sterling Robertson brought 600 Scottish families to Central Texas around the time of the Texas Revolution in 1835-36, when colonists won independence from Mexico. His son, Elijah Robertson, founded the village of Salado.

My husband, Bill, and I have traveled across the pond to Scotland three times and we always look forward to new culinary experiences. Our last visit included traditional meat pies found at pubs and butcher shops. The Scottish "fast food" is a favorite halftime treat at soccer



TASTES OF THE TOWN

Linda Dwyer

matches. I was curious if we would find Scottish meat pies at the festival.

The Scottish church frowned upon the pies in the Middle Ages. They were viewed as decadent English food. In later centuries, they became convenient, inexpensive meals for workers. Pie-men or pie-wives sold the hearty, individual-size meals on city streets. A space on top of the raised crust would be filled with gravy and mashed potato.

Mutton, the meat of aged sheep, was the common filling for a long time. Mutton is tough and gamey but the meat was plentiful and cheap. Now beef is a more common filling. Bakers recipes and methods are often guarded secrets. The Scotch Pie Club, formed in 1996, holds the annual World Scotch Pie Championship to judge the best pie in the country.

We bought scrumptious pies from Christie Family Butcher in Edinburgh. The fifth-generation family shop was established in 1889 and is now run by Willie Christie. The glass encased selection of meats is a carnivore's dream. Bill chose steak pie and I picked chicken pie. The simple, delicious, pies are mostly meat with little filler or gravy. The pastry is light and flaky.

I was destined to get my fill of meat pies. My daughter, who lives in Scotland, prepared a family-sized shepherd's pie made with meat and veggies simmered in gravy and topped with mashed potatoes. Shepherd's pie originated in Ireland as a creative

way to serve leftovers. On our flight home we were served two tasty mini meat pies.

While we were at the Salado festival we enjoyed delicious, authentic Scottish chicken and mushroom pies purchased at Tessa's Pies and Things food truck. It was a nice reminder of our trip. I am including a recipe from Taste of Home website. This meaty Scottish treat is much easier to prepare than meat pies.

Scotch Eggs

1 pound bulk pork sausage
Salt and pepper to taste
6 hard-boiled large eggs
1 egg, lightly beaten
3/4 cup crushed cornflakes

Divide the sausage into six portions; flatten and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Shape each portion around a peeled hard-boiled egg. Roll in beaten egg, then in cornflake crumbs. Place on a rack in a baking pan. Bake, uncovered, at 400° for 30 minutes or until meat is no longer pink, turning every 10 minutes.

Future NFL star Mason Crosby stands out for Georgetown Eagles

November 29, 1918

We will take Liberty Bonds in payment as cash at whatever they are bringing. Sale Begins Dec. at Higdon-McElroy Co.

Authorities of Southwestern University Wednesday received a telegram from the committee on education and special training of the War Department authorizing the demobilization of the Second

Yesteryears

BARBARA YELVERTON

Army Training Corps at the university, demobilization to begin December 1.

November 27 & 30, 1975

United Way surpasses goal by \$500 — The fund took in \$18,141 for 13 agencies.

Bell over 200 pounds found

in San Gabriel River — Dale Conway found it partially covered in sand. The Phi Deltas said it may be their bell, which was stolen.

Mildred Pierce, fourth grade teacher, dressed in red, white and blue as she told the Westside Elementary assembly about a box to be put in the cornerstone of the school's new addition. Some things in the box are a Bicentennial flag, Texas flag,

a quarter, etc.

Kenny Don Adair, 8, shot his first buck, a 4-pointer.

Red Watson becomes sergeant at GPD — He has six years in law enforcement at the DPS and San Saba PD.

November 27 & December 1, 2002

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