Free Classes & Events

March - May 2017

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Classes & Events

Classical Guitar Concert at North Branch Library
Experience an evening of classical guitar with the UNT Music Collegium. Enjoy the melodies of classical composers played on acoustical guitars. All ages welcome.
Tues 3/21, 4/18
North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m.
UNT Instrument Petting Zoo
Come and meet the instruments! Members of the North Texas University Music Educators, who are music students at UNT, will let children explore how to play different kinds of instruments from flutes to saxophones to tubas. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Ages 8-14.
Sat 4/1 North Branch 2-3 p.m.
Music Mania StoryTime
Strike up the band! Get ready to dance, sing, and explore musical instruments in this special song-filled StoryTime. Best for ages 1-5.
Wed 4/5 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Grow and Return: The Seed Library
Denton Public Library is excited to announce the launch of a seed library at Emily Fowler Central Library in partnership with the Denton County Master Gardeners. Starting this March, customers can sign up to join the seed library and borrow a variety of vegetable seeds (up to 5 seed packets per household). After the plants produce their own seeds, customers can bring harvested seeds back to the library to share with others.

Seed Library Kick-Off
Master Gardeners Janice Goetz and Phyllis Minton will teach you how to get started with your own garden to get the most out of the seed library. Join us to cultivate your green thumb!
Thurs 3/2 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Spring Break Make ‘n Take
Stop by the library each day during Spring Break and grab a special make ‘n take craft. All ages are welcome to participate at any time during open hours while supplies last.
3/13 - Harry Potter Hogwarts House Bookmark
3/14 - Button Bracelets
3/15 - Origami Animals
3/16 - Pet rocks
3/17 - Create Your Own Emoji Magnets
Mon 3/13 - Fri 3/17 South Branch

Texas Mammals
Learn about Texas mammals and what they leave behind. Look at animal skins and plaster track casts, and learn how to recognize some of the local wildlife by their tracks and scat. Presented by Jan Hodson, a Texas Master Naturalist with the Elm Fork Chapter, a partnership with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Texas Parks & Wildlife. All ages welcome.
Mon 4/24 South Branch 6:30 p.m.

Redbud Festival StoryTime
Join the library at the Redbud Festival for preschool StoryTime fun! Share in songs, puppets, and nature-themed stories that instruct as well as entertain. For children ages 1-5 and their caregivers.
Sat 4/22 Denton Civic Center 11 a.m.

Only in Texas Book Event
“Only in Texas” is a collection of photographs from every region of Texas. The author visited numerous cities and towns to collect photos displaying a wide range of Texans expressing their loyalty for their state (from back cover of book). Come celebrate the state of TX with author Tammy Dodds, purchase a book, and get it signed by the author! Also, there may be pie involved… All ages welcome.
Sat 3/4 Emily Fowler 1-3 p.m.

A Historical Overview of the Chisholm Trail
Several million head of wild Texas cattle were gathered and driven to the railheads of central Kansas beginning in 1867. This is a synopsis of the evolution of the trail that became known as the Chisholm Trail. Presented by Wayne Ludwig, volunteer and resident historian at the National Multicultural Western Heritage Museum in Fort Worth. For adults. Older children also welcome.
Sat 3/18 Emily Fowler 3 p.m.

Biking in Denton
May is National Bike Month! Join Julie Anderson, Denton’s Bike and Pedestrian Coordinator, for a program that will cover Denton’s best bike routes, bike safety, biking rules, and more! Registration requested. All ages welcome.
Fri 5/5 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.

Time to Ride: A Bike Repair Workshop
Join Querencia Community Bike Shop’s Karl Gossot for an informative program that will cover bike types, basic maintenance, repairs, adjustments, and quick checks to get your bike ready for spring! Registration requested. All ages welcome. To learn more about Querencia Community Bike Shop, visit https://qcbs.wordpress.com.
Sat 5/27 Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.
Read to Rover
Give your child an opportunity to practice reading one-on-one with a certified therapy dog. This program is made possible by a partnership with the Therapy Pals of Golden Triangle. Seats are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. For children reading on their own, ages 6-11.
Wed 3/1, 4/5, 5/3
Emily Fowler 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Sat 3/3, 4/8, 5/13
North Branch 10 a.m.
Sat 3/11, 4/8, 5/13
South Branch 11 a.m.

Spring into Arts and Crafts
Join us for some fun, fantastic arts and crafts for Spring Break! Be inspired and show your creativity with these spring-inspired art projects. For children 5-8.
Tues 3/14 North Branch 3 p.m.

Bee All You Can Bee
Come learn about bees and how they are a vital part of our environment. Join Michelle Boerst of the Denton County Beekeepers Association and learn why our buzzing buddies are so important to Texas and the world. An enclosed “observation hive” of bees will be part of this educational presentation. For ages 5-10.
Tues 3/14 South Branch 2:30 p.m.
Mon 4/10 Emily Fowler 3:30 p.m.

Twilight Toddler Time
Come hear stories, sing songs, and participate in activities in this evening StoryTime for toddlers (ages 12-36 months) and their caregivers.
Tues 3/14, 4/11, 5/9
Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Animal Ambassadors
Come explore animals and their environment and see live animals. This program is presented by the Heard Museum and is best for ages 5 and up. Seating is limited and free tickets will be available starting one hour before the show on a first-come, first-serve basis.
Thurs 3/16 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Spanish StoryTime
¡Hablamos español! Join us for a fun-filled Spanish StoryTime where children will hear stories, songs, and learn new words in Spanish. Led by native speaker Myra Ronquillo, this StoryTime is designed for speakers of all languages. Ages 2-10.
Fri 3/17, 4/14, 5/19
Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.

Pajama StoryTime and Stuffed Animal Sleepover
You’re invited! Join us for an evening of StoryTime fun dressed in your favorite pajamas! Stuffed animal friends can stay for a sleepover at the library. Get pictures of the fun times your stuffed animal had the next day, Ages 1-5.
Tues 3/21 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

It Might Be Science
Are you a budding scientist? Do you like experiments? Join us as we learn about some of the pioneering female scientists and perform experiments. Best for ages 5-8.
Thurs 3/23 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Teddy Bear Parade
It’s time for the Teddy Bear Parade! Bring your teddy bear for a bear-y fun StoryTime. Then, join the parade around the library and the park (weather permitting)! Ages 1-6.
Wed 3/29 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Bugging Out
Read and learn about creepy cockroaches, stay to create a “buggle.” Best for ages 5-8.
Thurs 3/30 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

STEAM Ahead:
Snap Circuits and Robots
Explore, create, experiment, and discover with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities. Ages 8-11.
Sat 4/1 South Branch 2:30 p.m.

Suds of Fun
Have you ever wondered where soap comes from? Or thought about the many uses of soap? Come learn about soap and create some fun bubble art. Best for ages 5-8.
Thurs 4/6 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Pete the Cat StoryTime
It’s time to get groovy and snap your fingers along with the world’s coolest feline: Pete the Cat. Come celebrate all things Pete. We will make a Pete the Cat craft to take home after the StoryTime. Best for ages 1-5.
Wed 4/12 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Mummies
Take a trip back in time to Ancient Egypt and learn about pyramids and mummies. Best for ages 5-8.
Thurs 4/13 South Branch 3:30 p.m.
### Mother Goose Time
Bring your baby to these classes promoting infant and caregiver bonding through stories, songs, and activities. For infants as old as 18 months and their caregivers.

- **Tuesdays** South Branch 9:30 a.m.
- **Fridays** North Branch 9:30 a.m.

### Toddlers Time
Participate with your toddler in these special classes that promote literacy and social interaction through stories, songs, and toddler-appropriate activities. For ages 12-36 months and their caregivers.

- **Tuesdays** South Branch 10:30 a.m.
- **Wednesdays** South Branch 10:30 a.m.
- **Thursdays** North Branch 9:30 a.m.

### Toddler Play Time
Join us for this come-and-go program that encourages independent toddler play with literacy and sensory activities. Children learn through play, so take a breather and let your toddler learn while you visit with other parents. For ages 12-36 months.

- **Tuesdays** South Branch 11 a.m.
- **Thursdays** North Branch 10 a.m.

### Baby and Toddler StoryTime
This program is designed to promote literacy and caregiver bonding through books, songs, and finger plays.

- **Wednesdays** North Branch 7 p.m.

### Sensory-Enhanced StoryTime
Sensory-Enhanced StoryTime is an inclusive program designed to engage kids through movement, music, preschool stories, and sensory activity play. This program is ideal for children with sensory integration challenges, difficulty in large groups, or children who have autism spectrum disorders. Great alternative for families looking for a more adaptive library experience. For ages 9 and under.

- **Fri 5/5** North Branch 10 a.m.

### Preschool Music Exploration Class
Music is a great way to positively influence your child’s development and get them excited about learning. This hands-on class features different music stations that allow children to explore music and instruments. Ages 1-5.

- **Tues 5/9** South Branch 10-11 a.m.

### Creative Dance
Explore the fundamentals of modern dance with local dance educator Lily Sloan. We will learn about concepts such as shapes, rhythm, and dynamics through imaginative play and short dance exercises. For children ages 3-4 years and their caregivers. Adult participation is encouraged. Registration required.

- **Wed 5/10** Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

### Montessori Preschool STEAM
Children will experiment with a variety of projects and materials that will help them explore science and the world around them in a child-directed manner. For ages 3-6.

- **Fri 5/12** North Branch 4 p.m.

### STEAM Ahead: Vehicles
Explore, create, experiment, and discover with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities. This month explore energy, simple machines, and buoyancy with different vehicles. Ages 8-11.

- **Thurs 5/18** South Branch 4 p.m.

### Homeschool STEAM: Coding and Robots
Explore, create, experiment and discover with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities. Learn to code and experiment with robots. Ages 7-11.

- **Wed 5/10 South Branch 2:30 p.m.**

### Montessori Culture Club
Show how much you care with a homemade gift! Join the Garden Culture Club and make nature-themed Mother’s Day crafts. For ages 5-12.

- **Fri 5/12 North Branch 4 p.m.**

### Puppet Play and Read
Help your child’s early literacy skills while having fun as a family! This come-and-go program offers age-appropriate books matched with puppets for children to explore with their caregivers. For children ages 3-5.

- **Tues 5/10 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.**

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**Weekly Programs for Children January 16 - April 22**

### Homeschool STEAM Ahead
Explore, create, experiment, and discover with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities. Ages 7-11.

**4/13 - Circuitry:**
Snap and Squishy Circuits
5/18 – Robotics: littleBits

**Thurs 4/13, 5/18 Emily Fowler 2:30 p.m.**

**Oh, for goodness Snakes!**
Learn all about snakes with Danielle Bradley, Texas State Park Interpreter! Snakes are often seen as scary predators. Come learn the truth about these amazing reptiles. There will even be a live snake for you to meet! Best for ages 5-8.

**Thurs 4/20 South Branch 3:30 p.m.**

**Zoom to the Moon**
Blast off on a trip to the moon. Find out about Buzz Aldrin, the first man to walk on the moon, and explore aspects of the moon through hands-on art and science activities. For ages 5-8.

**Tues 4/25 North Branch 4 p.m.**

**Animal Hunts at the Library:**
**Electric Eel**
The Animal Club will lead us on an imaginary journey as we read and learn about the electric eel. Best for ages 5-9.

**Wed 4/26 South Branch 2 p.m.**

**Bilingual Spanish StoryTime**
Join us for a fun-filled bilingual Spanish Storytime with Language of Laughter. LOL is a nonprofit that works to provide books to local classrooms. Children will hear stories, songs, and learn new words in Spanish. This Storytime is designed for speakers of all languages. Best for ages 1-5.

**Sat 4/29 South Branch 10 a.m.**

**Mother’s Day Crafts**
With the Garden Culture Club show how much you care with a homemade gift. Join the Garden Culture Club and make nature-themed Mother’s Day crafts. For ages 5-12.

**Fri 5/12 North Branch 4 p.m.**

**STEAM Ahead: Vehicles**
Explore, create, experiment, and discover with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities. This month explore energy, simple machines, and buoyancy with different vehicles. Ages 8-11.

**Thurs 5/18 South Branch 4 p.m.**

**Montessori Preschool STEAM**
Come try your hand at these preschool science experiments from certified Montessori instructor Cassidy Fuess. Children will experiment with a variety of projects and materials that will help them explore science and the world around them in a child-directed manner. For ages 3-6.

**Fri 5/26 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.**

**Puppet Play and Read**
Help your child’s early literacy skills while having fun as a family! This come-and-go program offers age-appropriate books matched with puppets for children to explore with their caregivers. For children ages 3-5.

**Tues 5/30 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.**
For Teens and Tweens

Level Up
Join us on Fridays to unwind after school and play games! From Wii tournaments, to board games, to party games, you’ll never know what to expect, but it’s always a great time (and there are prizes)! For ages 11-17.
Fridays North Branch 3:30-5 p.m.

Teen STEM Lab
Do you like to build things? Do you want to know what an engineer does? If so, join The Brain STEMS from the UNT Society of Women Engineers for free food and fun as we learn about science and engineering! Best for ages 8-14.
Wed 3/1, 3/29, 4/5, 4/19
North Branch 4:30 p.m.

North Branch Teen Advisory Board
Boss us around! Join the Teen Advisory Board and tell us what you want to see at your library. Help plan teen events and make new friends, all while earning volunteer hours. First Tuesday of each month, for ages 11-17.
Tues 3/7, 4/4, 5/9 North Branch 4 p.m.

Takeover
Teens take over the library on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month! All 11-17 year olds are invited to do something fun and exciting at 4 p.m. on these days. It could be art, science, cooking, a contest...you’ll have to join us to find out!
Wed 3/8, 3/22, 4/12, 4/26, 5/10, 5/24 North Branch 4 p.m.

South Branch Teen Advisory Board
Join our Teen Advisory Board and help plan awesome teen programs and events. Meet new friends, enjoy some tasty snacks, and earn your volunteer hours at the same time. For ages 11-17.
Wed 3/8, 4/5, 5/3 South Branch 6:30 p.m

Teen Tech-fest
We’re joining libraries across the nation to celebrate Teen Tech Week with a technology petting zoo for teens! We will have an assortment of library technology such as Makey-Makey, Arduinos, littleBits, Sphero and Dash robots, and more. Participants will also have a chance to win door prizes and make a light-up badge in a hands-on soldering class.
Sat 3/11 South Branch 2 p.m.

Anime Club
Tues 3/14, 4/11, 5/9 North Branch 7 p.m.

Girls Engineering Club
Join the TAMS Junior Engineering Technical Society on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month to learn about engineering and make awesome projects! While the program is designed to support girls and help the STEM gender gap, all young people ages 11-17 are welcome.
North Branch 4 p.m.

Teen Fiber Craft Guild
Learn how to crochet, cross stitch, knit, or other needlecraft. Help build our guild of enthusiasts by becoming an apprentice, exchanging patterns, and share knowledge in this come-and-go program every third Tuesday of the month. Best for ages 11-17.
Tues 3/21, 4/18, 5/16
North Branch 4 p.m.

Teen Volunteer Orientation
Are you between the ages of 11-15? Need community service hours or just want to start gaining job experience? Come volunteer with us at the library! For more information or to become a volunteer, please register for an orientation session.
Wed 3/22, 4/12 South Branch 7 p.m.

Pokémon Club
Fun, drop-in club for Pokémon enthusiasts. Bring your cards or DS and battle other Pokémon fans. For ages 8-15.
Sat 3/25, 4/29, 5/20 South Branch 2 p.m.

Teen Chopped Competition
1st Annual
Join the TAMS Junior Engineering Technical Society on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month to learn about engineering and make awesome projects! While the program is designed to support girls and help the STEM gender gap, all young people ages 11-17 are welcome.
North Branch 4 p.m.

Denton Girls + Code
These four after-school classes will be taught by Denton High School computer science students and will focus on various computer science/coding topics. Each day will cover a different topic; come to one class or all of them! While the program is designed to support girls and help the STEM gender gap, all young people in grades 6-8 are welcome.
The Forge at North Branch 4:45 p.m.

Homeschool Teens:
STEAM Art Challenge
Explore, create, experiment and discover with a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) art challenge for homeschool teens. Participants will be challenged to let their creativity flow in several different art activities using painting, sculpting, and more. Ages 10-17.
Tues 4/11 South Branch 2:30-4 p.m.

2nd Annual Teen Chopped Competition
We’re back with another round of Chopped: Teen Edition. Participants will be divided into teams and given a mystery basket of ingredients which they will transform into delicious treats. All skill levels welcome and sadly, there will be no open flames. For ages 10-17.
Registration required.
Sat 4/22 South Branch 2 p.m.

Babysitting Class
Looking for ways to earn extra money this summer? Attend this workshop presented by the Denton Fire Department and become a certified babysitter. Learn babysitting strategies, emergency procedures, and more! Registration is required. Ages 12-17.
Sat 5/13 South Branch 2-5 p.m.

Summer Reading Club
Volunteer Orientation
Would you like to volunteer during the summer? Attend one of these mandatory trainings to learn everything you need to know. Must be age 11-17. Additional trainings in June. Limited spots available. Registration required.
Wed 5/24 South Branch 7 p.m.
Tues 5/30 North Branch 7 p.m.

Need Help with Your Homework?
Brainfuse has live tutors online from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. daily for all students, kindergarten through college, for free with your library card.
To access Brainfuse visit www.dentonlibrary.com and click “Homework Help” on the “Research Tools” page.

Registering for Library Classes and Events
Everyone is invited to the library’s classes and events. Registration is required for some programs so that the library can assure it has adequate seating, supplies, and/or refreshments.
When registration is required, you can call (940) 349-8752 unless another contact is listed. You can also register online at www.dentonlibrary.com.
Chess Night
Players of all skill levels are welcome. Ages 7 to adult. No meeting on May 29.
Mondays North Branch 6-8:45 p.m.
Chess Class
Come and learn how to play the game of chess. Chess coaches from the UNT TAMIS program will provide instruction for players at all levels.
Sun 3/26, 4/9, 4/23
Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.

ESL & GED Classes
Denton ISD’s Adult Education & Literacy program offers FREE classes in English Language Acquisition (ESL), citizenship, adult basic education, and GED. Locations throughout Denton and Collin Counties. For more information, please call (940) 369-0400.

Breastfeeding Support Group
Catharine DeMore, a Certified Lactation Educator Counselor, and Susan MacKenzie, IBCLC, RN, CPN, RLC, will introduce different topics related to breastfeeding, followed by discussion. Mothers are encouraged to breastfeed during the meeting. Siblings welcome.
First Wednesday of the month.
North Branch 10-11 a.m.
Professor’s Corner: A Discussion Group Devoted to Literary Texts
Second Wednesday of each month Nov-June. Everyone is invited. This series is made possible in part by a grant from Humanities Texas, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.
3/8 The Poetry of Texas Poet Laureate Alan Birkelbach
4/12 The Poetry of Texas Poet Laureate David M. Parsons
5/10 The Poetry of Texas Poet Laureate Walt McDonald
Second Wednesday of the month.
South Branch 7-8:30 p.m.

Exploring Western Philosophy
Explore the foundations of Western thought from its earliest beginnings in an interactive class with Dr. Eva H. Cadwallader, professor of philosophy, Emerita.
Thursdays North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.

Adult Volunteer Orientation
Interested in volunteering at the library? Register for a session to learn more! All volunteers must pass a background check. Registration required. These sessions are not for court-ordered community service.
Sat 3/4 North Branch 9:30 a.m.
Fri 4/7 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.
Mon 5/1 South Branch 7 p.m.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)
VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) is a United Way of Denton County program that provides free tax preparation and e-filing services for low-to moderate income families and individuals. To qualify for the VITA program, participants’ annual income must be $50,000 or less. For a list of documents and information you should bring to your VITA session, go to www.unitedwaydenton.org/VITA. For more information, please call (940) 566-2688.
The Forge at North Branch
5-7:30 p.m.
Sat 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15
The Forge at North Branch 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

The Gifts of Stress
Stress doesn’t have to run our lives, but it can be the thing that can change our lives for the better! Discover how to relieve your stress and worry with Sue Legacy, Counselor, Therapist, and Life Coach, and find a greater sense of well-being in the process. Registration required.
Tues 3/7 North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Alzheimer’s Association Caregiver Support Group
A safe environment in which to share feelings, struggles, and successes while caring for a loved one with Alzheimer’s disease or related dementia. For more information, visit www.alz.org.
Tues 3/7, 4/4, 5/2
Emily Fowler 12:30 p.m.

Alzheimer’s Info Session
Come to this informational session presented by the local chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association to learn what Alzheimer’s disease is, 10 common signs of the disease, what to do if you or a loved one is diagnosed with dementia, and how the Alzheimer’s Association can help. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy cookies and drinks. Registration requested.
Wed 3/8 Emily Fowler 1-2 p.m.

Learn to Conserve: Efficient and Effective Sprinkler Use
Join Patrick Dickinson from Texas A&M AgriLife Water University for a workshop on maintaining a beautiful landscape while saving water! Topics will include basic components of your sprinkler system, how to program your sprinkler system, and basic sprinkler repair. Registration requested.
Thurs 3/16 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.

Decoding Medicare Workshop
Presented by Decoding Medicare, this workshop will address common Medicare issues, such as when and how to enroll, types of supplements, drug plans, and types of Advantage Plans. Registration required.
Sat 3/25, 4/1, 5/27
Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.

Free Magazine Day
A variety of adult and youth magazines from various years will be available for free. If you have any old magazines to get rid of, leave them for others to take!
Magazines left at the end of the day will be recycled in an effort to keep Denton green.
Sat 4/1 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Learn to Conserve: DIY Drip Irrigation and Sprinkler Repair
Learn the basics of efficient drip irrigation and sprinkler repair including zone planning, installation, and conversion. Taught by Daniel Cunningham of the Texas A&M AgriLife Water University. Registration requested.
Thurs 4/20 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.

Learn to Conserve: Programming Your Irrigation Controller
Learn how to program and reprogram your sprinkler controller utilizing the most efficient ways to water your landscape, such as the soak and cycle method and other water efficiency practices. Taught by Dotty Woodson, Water Resources Extension Program Specialist with Texas A&M AgriLife Water University. Registration requested.
Tues 5/2 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.

Non-Fiction Book Discussion Group
Read and discuss a wide range of non-fiction titles.
3/1 Gateway to Freedom: The Hidden History of the Underground Railroad by Eric Foner
4/5 Hare with the Amber Eyes: A Family’s Century of Art and Loss by Edmund De Waal
5/3 Hillbilly Elegy: Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis by J.D. Vance

First Wednesday of the month.
North Branch 7 p.m.

Death and Desserts Mystery Book Club
Discover new authors for your mystery habit on the first Thursday of each month.
3/3 Hard Lessons: Teachers as Sleuths
4/6 Gardening Mysteries
5/4 Gone to the Dogs
First Thursday of the month.
Emily Fowler 7 p.m.
**For Adults**

### Genealogy

**Scanners, Converters, and More**
Did you know that you can convert a VHS tape to a DVD at the Library? Find out more about this service and other technology available in the Special Collections Department that can help you in your genealogy and local history research. Registration is requested.

Fri 3/24 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.

**Care and Identification of Your Photographs**
Jessica Phillips, head of Preservation at the University of North Texas, will talk about simple ways to identify various photographic formats as well as guidelines for proper care and handling. Registration is requested.

Sat 4/15 Emily Fowler 3 p.m.

**2017 Annual Family History Fair**
This free event features a mixture of live presentations by area genealogy experts, informational displays, and video presentations from RootsTech 2017, with an emphasis on the improved FamilySearch website as well as a host of other resources. For more information, contact the Denton Family History Center Director Eric Kaszynski by email at ekaszynski@gmail.com. This event will be held at the Denton Family History Center, 3000 Old North Rd.

Sat 4/22 Denton Family History Center 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

**I've Got —Or I'm Getting— My DNA Report: Now What Do I Do?**
Presenter Patti Gillespie will explain how to choose a company and a test, what to do while waiting for the report, and how to maximize the report results. Learn things like how to use the research within the DNA report and how to link your tree to your DNA results. Registration is requested.

Sat 5/20 Emily Fowler 3 p.m.

**Tips for Successful Searches using Ancestry**
With more than 9,000 databases and 200 billion images, Ancestry is the premier online genealogy resource—and it’s available to you for free within any Library location. Learn about the many features of Ancestry Library Edition and how to do effective searches. Basic computer skills are recommended. Registration is requested.

Thurs 5/25 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

**Denton County Genealogical Society**
Meet fellow genealogists, share tips, and learn new information.

3/9 What, How and Why of Indexing presented by Walta Evans
4/13 American Military Research presented by Joseph Ryan
5/11 Members Round Table of Experiences

Thurs Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

### Crafts

**Crafters’ Corner**
Bring your favorite craft, visit and exchange patterns and know-how, and get to know others in the local crafting community. This is a come-and-go program.

Thursdays Emily Fowler 9:30-11:30 a.m.

**Finish It Friday Crafters**
Bring your favorite craft to this come-and-go program. Exchange patterns and know-how with others in the local crafting community. Group meets in the library under the Forge sign.

Fridays North Branch 9:30-11:30 a.m.

**Tissue-Dyed Scarves**
Back by request, this popular workshop with local crafter Mary Cresson will teach participants to dye silk scarves using a special kind of tissue paper. Attendees will make two scarves (perfect for any spring chill!). Space is limited and registration is required. Ages 18 and up only, please.

Thurs 3/2 Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.
Fri 3/10 North Branch 9:30-11:30 a.m.

**DIY Robin’s Eggs Necklace**
Learn how to make a wire Robin’s Nest Necklace and wire ring in celebration of spring! Space is limited and registration is required. Ages 16 and up. Supplies provided.

Tues 4/4 Emily Fowler 7-8:30 p.m.

**Bath Bombs!**
Learn how to make bath bombs in this workshop led by Sunny Purdin. Ages 13 and up. Supplies provided. Registration encouraged.

Sat 4/8 Emily Fowler 1 p.m.

### Business Classes

**Contact Business Outreach Librarian Kerry Montz at (940) 349-8757 or Kerry.Montz@cityofdenton.com for more information about programs and services for business.**

**Small Business Support Group**
Join other small business owners to network, share information, and provide support to each other in a friendly, comfortable environment. Meetings will consist of time to network, exchange business cards and promotional information, as well as learning and educational opportunities. Second Tuesdays of the month. North Branch 7 p.m.

**SCORE**
SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives) provides free confidential business mentoring tailored to meet the needs of entrepreneurs and small businesses. Appointments run hourly between 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesdays. Registration is required, Contact Kerry Montz to make an appointment. Wednesdays by appointment. North Branch

**Small Business Marketing on a Shoestring Budget**
Whether your business is big or small, you can form an inexpensive plan to reach prospective customers and increase visibility through print and digital marketing. Learn about identifying your brand, your customers, and your strategy. Lunch will be provided. Registration is suggested.

Fri 4/14 North Branch 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Call (940) 349-8752 to register for classes and events, or register any time at www.dentonlibrary.com.

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- Conduct market research
- Find resident information

To learn more, contact Kerry Montz at Kerry.Montz@cityofdenton.com
Technology Classes For Adults

Classes for the Curious

Need Help in The Forge?
Ms. Sen, North Branch volunteer, can assist you with Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Dreamweaver, Microsoft PowerPoint, any help regarding Graphic Design (making brochures/fliers/business cards/email templates), and Web Design on a first-come, first-served basis.

Saturdays  North Branch  2-5 p.m.

Arduino Step by Step
This course will take you from zero experience in electronics or programming to Arduino Master. Topics include:
• Arduino Ecosystem and Programming Introduction
• Shields, Accessories, and Sensors
• Internet Integration and Communication
• Advanced Integrations with Motors, Gears, and Movement
Anyone interested in learning electronic design is welcome. No experience is required, and all you need is an Arduino and several low-cost components. For more information, visit www.meetup.com/HackerSpaceTech/.

The Forge at North Branch  2-5:30 p.m.

3D Printer Orientation
Learn about 3D printing and get certified to use the Library’s 3D printers.

Mon 3/6, 4/3, 5/1
The Forge at North Branch  7-8 p.m.

Learn How to Solder
Learn the basics of soldering in this hands-on class. You’ll learn by doing, creating a light-up badge that you can take home. Registration required.

Mon 3/13, 4/10, 5/15
The Forge at North Branch  7-8 p.m.

Intro to Linux (2-part class)
Ever been curious about Linux but not sure where to start? We’ll help you get started by teaching you how to do common tasks, navigate the file system, use the command line, get help, and more. This is a 2-part class, to get the most out of it you’ll need to attend both sessions. Registration is required.

Mon 3/20 & Mon 3/27
The Forge at North Branch  7-8:30 p.m.

Basic Computer Classes

Working with Word (2-part class)
Learn to make all types of documents. Must know how to type, use a mouse, save and retrieve files in Windows, and be able to attend both sessions. Registration required.

Wed 3/15 & Fri 3/17
South Branch  2-3:30 p.m.

iPad for Seniors: Beyond the Basics
Practice along with the instructor as we explore Safari’s search capabilities, use the camera to take photos, and perform edits within the Photos app. Please bring your own iPad (model 2 or higher). Registration required.

Mon 3/20  North Branch  2-3:30 p.m.

Mac OS Sierra Essential Training
Learn the ins and outs of Apple’s OS (operating system) Sierra using the library’s Lynda.com resources in an instructor-led setting. Please bring your own MacBook running Sierra. Registration required.

Tues 4/4  North Branch  6:30-8:30 p.m.

Basic Excel (2-part class)
Use spreadsheets to present numerical information. Must know how to use a mouse, save and retrieve files in Windows, and be able to attend both sessions. Registration required.

Sat 4/8 & Sat 4/15
South Branch  2-3:30 p.m.

iPad for Seniors: There’s an App for That
Practice along with the instructor as we explore how to locate, download, organize, and use apps that are popular among senior citizens. Attendees must bring their Apple ID username and password to the class. Please bring your own iPad. Registration required.

Mon 5/8  North Branch  2-3:30 p.m.

Power Point (2-part class)
Create eye-catching presentations. Must know how to use a mouse, save and retrieve files in Windows, and be able to attend both sessions. Registration required.

Wed 5/17 & Fri 5/19
South Branch  2-3:30 p.m.

The Forge at North Branch Library
Public Hours
Monday 1-9 p.m.  Wednesday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.  Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

The Friends of the Denton Public Libraries BIG Book Sale is Saturday, May 13 at North Branch Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Call (940) 349-8752 to register for classes and events, or register any time at www.dentonlibrary.com.

Denton Public Library Closings
(all three locations)
The Libraries will be closed on Sunday, April 16 for the Easter holiday.
Emily Fowler Central Library will be closed from Friday, April 28 to Sunday, April 30 for Jazz Fest. North Branch Library and South Branch Library will remain open during Jazz Fest.
The Libraries will be closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

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