

THURSDAY, NOV. 30 -

SUNDAY, DEC. 3

42ND RED ROCK BALLOON RALLY

@ Red Rock Park (825 Outlaw Rd., Church Rock). Don't miss the most beautiful ballooning in New Mexico, flying high over the red rocks.

FRIDAY,  DEC. 1

BOOK COVER BINGO

5 pm @ OFPL's Main Library (115 W. Hill Ave.). It's just like the classic game you know and love but with book covers! Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

BARBIE EXHIBIT

@ OFPL's Main Library (115 W. Hill Ave.). View various Barbie dolls through history and the story behind how Ruth Handler created the iconic doll.

FRIENDS OF OFPL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Friends of the Octavia Fellin Public Library is having a membership drive through the end of the year.

UNWRAP THE GIFT OF READING

Throughout the month of December select a wrapped book to check out, unwrap, and read! Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

SATURDAY, DEC. 2

CHRISTMAS PARADE

1 pm. In partnership with the Red Rock Balloon Rally, the Gallup-McKinley County Chamber of Commerce hosts a Christmas parade every year.

K-POP PARTY

6 pm @ OFPL's Children's Branch (200 W. Aztec Ave.). Dress up and mingle with K-POP fans, synchronize your dance moves to your favorite K-POP idols and artists, have your picture taken on the green screen, and create and trade K-POP merch all in celebration of Jung Kook's first solo album release! The party is for people age 6 and up.

TUESDAY, □ DEC. 5

CRICUT 101

5 pm @ OFPL's Main Library (115 W. Hill Ave.). Learn the basics of using your Cricut to cut and shape paper. Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

THURSDAY, DEC. 7

9TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY IN NEW MEXICO

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm @ UNM-Gallup Gurley Hall. Free entertainment, a visit from Santa, and a closing ceremony for a student art exhibit. For more information, call (505) 863-7542 or email richardreyes12@unm.edu.

FRIDAY, DEC. 8

FRIENDS OF OFPL BOOK SALE

10 am - 4 pm @ the El Morro Events Center (210 S. Second St.). Browse hundreds of already-enjoyed books that have been hand-picked by our library staff at OFPL. Buy one book for \$1 or fill up a bag with books for \$5.

SATURDAY, DEC. 9

GALLUP ELKS HOOP SHOOT

11:30 am @ JFK Middle School (600 Boardman Dr.).

SELF CARE AT RIO WEST MALL

12 pm - 4 pm @ Rio West Mall (1300 W. Maloney Ave.). Join OFPL at the Rio West Mall for a self care DIY activity this holiday season! Make your very own Holiday Sugar Scrub to gift or enjoy!

ARTSCRAWL

7 pm - 9 pm @ Downtown Gallup. Come experience local and professional art, artist demonstrations, gallery openings, live music, hands-on crafts, and games for the kids.

SHOW OPENING: 8TH ANNUAL MEMBER ARTIST GROUP SHOW

12 pm - 6 pm @ ART123 Gallery (123 W. Coal Ave.). See new work by 13 of your favorite local artists.

MINI WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL

1 pm - 5 pm @ ART123 Gallery (123 W. Coal Ave.). Thirty-three local artists will be present. A family craft and hot cocoa will be available.

SCREENING OF 'IN THE DIRT'

6:30 pm @ El Morro Theatre (207 W. Coal Ave.). After the movie, members of the cast will be available for questions.

**MONDAY, DEC. 11 -
FRIDAY, DEC. 15**

ELF ON THE SHELF SCAVENGER HUNT

@ the UNM-Gallup Zollinger Library (705 Gurley Ave.). Help Zollinger Library find the Elf on the Shelf! Look high and low for your chance at a special prize.

TUESDAY, DEC. 12

SEW HAPPY

4 pm @ OFPL's main library (115 W. Hill Ave.). Learn how to select, layout, and cut patterns, use a sewing machine, seam finishes, and hand sew to finish. The class is for people age 12 and up.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13

PAINT AND SIP: HOT AIR BALLOON

6 pm - 9 pm @ ART123 Gallery (123 W. Coal Ave.). Have a creative night out! Registration is \$35/person.

POKÉMON GO HOLIDAY GATHERING

5 pm @ the UNM-Gallup Zollinger Library (705 Gurley Ave.). Participants may bring a food item to share or just come and enjoy the company of fellow Pokémon trainers. For questions, please call 505-863-7531 or email markos@unm.edu.

THURSDAY, DEC. 14

CHUNKY KNIT SCARF WORKSHOP

5 pm @ OFPL's main library (115 W. Hill Ave.). Learn how to make a super-soft, chunky cowl! No equipment needed - all you need is a skein of yarn (and your arm)! Supplies provided. Advance registration at ofpl.online is required.

FRIDAY, DEC. 15

OFPL MAKERSPACE ORNAMENT WORKSHOP

3:30 pm - 5:30 pm @ OFPL's Children's Branch (200 W. Aztec Ave.). Create your own custom ornaments using the library's MakerSpace equipment. Email pneilson@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

SATURDAY, DEC. 16

BARBIE PARTY

2 pm @ OFPL's main library (115 W. Hill Ave.). Come dressed as your favorite Barbie and take a photo in our life-sized Barbie Box made in our MakerSpace! The party will feature snacks, door prizes, crafts, and a special screening of the Barbie movie! Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.

TUESDAY, DEC. 19

COOKING CLASS: SOUS VIDE TURKEY BREAST

4 pm @ OFPL's main library (115 W. Hill Ave.). Join OFPL for a cooking class with professional Chef Brian Tatsukawa from the NTU Culinary Department. Learn how to cook a perfectly tender and juicy turkey breast using the Sous Vide method. Advance registration at ofpl.org/online is required.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20

START OF GMCS WINTER BREAK

THURSDAY, DEC. 21

WINTER BREAK CHESS TOURNAMENT

@ the El Morro Events Center (210 S. Second St.). Registration begins at 9 am, and rounds start at 10 am. An awards ceremony will take place at 4 pm.

FRIDAY, DEC. 22-MONDAY, DEC. 25

OFPL will be closed for the holidays.

FRIDAY, DEC. 29

NAVAJO RUG WEAVING

10 am - 2 pm @ OFPL's Main Library (115 W. Hill Ave.). Learn the fundamentals and techniques of rug weaving in traditional Diné style, including warping, carding and spinning. Please bring your own weaving materials and/or projects. Email bmartin@gallupnm.gov or call (505) 863-1291 for more information.