

Information about upcoming events and programs.

LifeLong Learning at PebbleCreek

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2014 – 2015 Promises to be an Outstanding Year New Website Has All the Information You Will Need

From its start as a small Education Club with three events its first year, **LifeLong Learning at PebbleCreek** has grown to a multi-faceted program, often touted by new residents and Robson as an amenity that brings people to PebbleCreek.

In September, we launched a new website—www.lifelonglearningatpc.org—that is the central point for all things LifeLong Learning. Details on all the lectures, trips, classes and programs planned for the 2014-2015 season will be continually updated.

Take time to look through the site and become familiar with what we’re doing. Make us part of your busy schedule and take advantage of some of what we’re planning.

Don’t hesitate to contact our co-chairs, Dennis DeFrain and Phyllis Minsuk, about our programs, or Emily Grotta if you have any website related questions. (See back page for contact information.)

Thank you for your participation. Your participation is what makes our programs possible.

New This Year! Cinema Society of PebbleCreek

LifeLong Learning is partnering with the PebbleCreek Activity Office to bring this outstanding new program to PebbleCreek. Read the details on page 12 to learn about this opportunity to join other movie buffs in seeing and discussing movies that are not usually shown in local theaters.

Stay up-to-date through LLL e-news

Want to know about updates to the SCHEDULE, speakers, or when tickets will be sold?

Sign up for the weekly LifeLong Learning e-newsletter by emailing your name to lifelonglearning10@cox.net.

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Premier Evening Lectures at PC

Nationally prominent speakers visit PebbleCreek. TF Renaissance Theater, 7p.m.
Tickets to Premier Lectures are sold in advance or at the door.

Friday October 17

The Teddy Roosevelt Show



Arizona owes much to President Theodore Roosevelt, who authorized the Roosevelt Dam on the Salt River in 1902, setting the course for Arizona's subsequent growth. The first Premier Lecture of the year is about the "carry a big stick" president, presented as a one-man show by **Joe Wiegand**.

Joe's T.R. shares stories full of adventure, laughter and inspiration as he recounts Roosevelt's adventures as rancher, Rough Rider and president. In 2008, Joe traveled across America in celebration of Teddy Roosevelt's 150th birthday and the centennial year of the end of his presidency, performing this show at the White House and at T.R.'s birthplace in New York City. **\$15**

Friday, November 7

Doctor to Three Presidents

Dr. Connie Mariano was the first military woman to become White House physician to the president, serving George H.W. Bush, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush. She was also the first woman director of the White House Medical Unit and the first Filipino American to become a Navy Rear Admiral. She earned her medical degree from the Uniformed Services University of Medicine, graduating as a Lieutenant in 1981.



After retiring from the Navy in 2001, Dr. Mariano joined the Mayo Clinic in Scottsdale and four years later founded the Center for Executive Medicine in North Scottsdale, a practice designed for executives and their families. She is currently working on a book, **Presidential Secrets to Longevity**. **\$10**

Friday, January 23

Riders on the Orphan Train



Few people today know much about the largest child migration in U.S. history. The Orphan Train, now the subject of a best-selling novel by Christina Baker Kline, brought 250,000 orphans and unwanted children from New York City to the West. From 1854 to 1930, the children were given away at train stations across America with the hope they would find new opportunities and families in the developing Midwest.

Alison Moore and Phil Lancaster use original songs, storytelling and video interviews with surviving riders to tell the story of this little-known chapter in American history. The show, a program of the National Orphan Train Complex Museum and Research Center, has sold out in performances from Arkansas to Arizona. **\$15**



Saturday, February 28

The Scottsdale Chorus

The **Scottsdale Chorus**, 100-members strong, is bringing its unique blend of four-part harmony a cappella music and dance to PebbleCreek.

As stated on the Scottsdale Chorus Facebook page, "...we are thankful for this 'hobby' that not only allows us to explore the boundaries of beautiful music, but also brings us enrichment on so many other levels by allowing us to make lifelong friendships, to build skills in so many areas, and to participate in things we probably never imagined."



Affiliated with the Sweet Adelines International organization, this championship chorus celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2012 and has competed in 16 international contests since 1974, never achieving less than third place. Their competitive spirit and commitment to musical excellence has led them to the coveted First Place International Championship four times: 1984, 1989, 2006 and 2011. **\$15**

Friday, March 6

Sergei Khrushchev & The Cold War From the Other Side

Remember what you learned from your family, teachers, government and the media about the Cold War, when it seemed the Soviet Union was bent on the destruction of our way of life?



Sergei Khrushchev had a front row seat to the inner workings of the Soviet government during the Cold War, not only as the son of Prime Minister Nikita Khrushchev, but also as a Ph.D. scientist working on the

Soviet missile and space program. He also worked on the cruise missiles for submarines and military research spacecraft.

Khrushchev and his wife left the Soviet Union in 1991 and became naturalized citizens of the United States in 1999. He is a senior fellow at the Watson Institute for International Studies at Brown University and teaches at the Navy War College in Newport, RI. **\$15**

Friday, March 20

What's New in Cancer Research?

Erkut Borazanci, M.D., is a drug development scholar at the Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center of Scottsdale Health Center.

As a member of the clinical trials team, he is currently working on developing new therapies for cancer, particularly those involving the pancreas and other gastrointestinal malignancies. He is part of a team that has developed more than 200 new antineoplastic and biologic agents that have been approved for cancer treatment in the United States.



Dr. Borazanci is a key player in the Translational Genomics Research Institute (TGen), which is headquartered in Phoenix and partners with several research partners. TGen employs innovative advances arising from the Human Genome Project to develop earlier diagnostics and smarter treatments. He completed his oncology fellowship training at Louisiana State University Health Science Center in Shreveport. **\$10**

Monday Morning Lectures: 2014 - 2015

Hear outstanding speakers in the TF Renaissance Theater on Mondays at 10 a.m. \$3 per person
Please note: Lectures run from 60-90 minutes each

October 20

The Wildlife World Zoo's Story

Mickey Olson, who founded the Wildlife World Zoo and Aquarium 30 years ago, says the zoo began as a breeding farm, a natural outgrowth of his high school interest in breeding birds. The zoo has grown from its original 30 acres to 120 acres.

Located just a few miles away on Northern Avenue, the zoo is a favorite place to take grandkids when they visit PebbleCreek. Come to this lecture and you will get an inside look at how the zoo operates and what the "sure winners" are.



October 27

Surviving the Holocaust in Siberia

Last fall, **Dr. Alexander White** held the audience spellbound as he recounted his experiences as a Holocaust survivor. This year, he will return to tell us the story of Pearl Minz and her family, neighbors of the Whites in Krosno, Poland. The Minz family had gone to Eastern Poland when the Nazis invaded, but were rounded up and sent deep into Northeastern Siberia. Pearl wrote her diary on scraps of paper, which she brought back to Poland after the war. White translated Pearl's diary from Polish to English and uses the story to teach about the Holocaust.



November 3

The American Frontier: Fact or Fiction?

At the age of 11, **Bob Boze Bell** began wondering if the tales he was hearing about the cowboys and Indians, lawmen and villains of the early West were true as presented on TV, in the movies and in comic books. Forty-two years later, he purchased **True West Magazine** and currently serves as its executive editor. In addition to relating the true stories of the Wild West, the magazine links the past to the current Western lifestyle.



November 10

The Sleep Doctor

A clinical psychologist and a widely recognized leader in the ever-evolving field of sleep studies, **Michael Breus, PhD**, specializes in sleep disorders, appears regularly on radio and TV, and is a well-known speaker to both professional and public groups. He is the author of three books on the benefits of sleeping well including the bestseller, **Good Night: The Sleep Doctor's 4-Week Program to Better Sleep and Better Health**.





November 17

The FBI on International Terrorism



Two **Supervisory Special Agents** from the Phoenix Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with expertise in international terrorism, will tell us—as much as they can without revealing FBI secrets—what is being done to head off such attacks.

The FBI's work locally is supplemented by the Phoenix Joint Terrorism Task Force, which runs down all terrorism leads, investigates cases and proactively identifies threats that may impact the area and the nation. LifeLong Learning cannot publish the names or photos of the Special Agents who will be at the lecture, but it promises to be one of the highlights of the season.

January 12

Breakthroughs in Alzheimer's Research

Every 67 seconds someone in the United States develops Alzheimer's disease. While much research in the past two decades has focused on the treatment of Alzheimer's, the focus has recently turned to the early detection of brain changes before symptoms appear, and the Banner Alzheimer's Institute is internationally known for these efforts. **Dr. Eric Reiman**, chief executive officer of Banner Research and executive director of Banner Alzheimer's Institute, will bring news of the latest discoveries to PebbleCreek.



January 19

The Dream Endures: Celebrating the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King

LifeLong Learning joins PC Just Folks Association in a celebration of Martin Luther King's Legacy.

January 26

Commercial Drones in the AZ Skies



The range of civilian applications for very small flying vehicles is truly breath taking. These small helicopters and airplanes can survey crops for pests, fight forest fires, provide event security, search for lost children in the wilderness, photograph remote geography, and maybe someday even deliver packages for Amazon, among many other civilian applications. **Lt. General John Regni, USAF, Retired**, is dedicated to launching commercial unmanned aerospace vehicles, commonly called civil drones or UAVs, into Arizona skies.

February 2

Evolutionary Medicine

For a group of physicians, the question is not **how** we get sick, but **why** we do. These physicians are practitioners of evolutionary medicine, or Darwinian medicine, which seeks to find out how we've become susceptible to diseases, such as antibiotic resistance.

Professor Randolph M. Nesse, M.D. is the founding director of the ASU Center for Evolution & Medicine. He is noted for his research on the origins of emotions and how natural selection shapes the capacity for mood.





February 9

The Story of Pancho Villa

Jim Turner, who retired from the Arizona Historical Society in 2009 and is a prolific writer and lecturer on Arizona and the Southwest, is one of PebbleCreek's most popular lecturers.

In this return trip at 10 a.m. Monday, February 9, he will branch a little further south to bring us tales of Pancho Villa, Mexico's own Robin Hood. He was the charismatic leader of a band of robbers who opposed the brutal rulers of Mexico and who rustled cattle and robbed banks to provide food to the suffering peasantry.

February 16

How We Get Our Water

Last year a small group visited the Central Arizona Project's headquarters in Phoenix for a tour of the facility. They were so impressed with the tour leader, that we are bringing him to PebbleCreek so a larger audience can learn about the water issues facing Phoenix and Arizona.



Larry Person is vice president of The Person Group - Environmental Division. He served as the City of Scottsdale's Senior Environmental Coordinator for almost 18 years, during which time he developed numerous environmental initiatives and programs that brought honor and recognition to the city.

February 23

Carbon Nation: Becoming a More Energy Efficient Country

Peter Byck is the director, producer and writer of **Carbon Nation**, a documentary film about solutions to climate change. He recently joined the faculty of Arizona State University in both the School of Sustainability and the Cronkite School of Journalism.



He believes that liberals and conservatives in the U.S. are not polarized, as the popular press presents. Through Byck's humor, curious mind and respectful approach, he gets to the core of peoples' beliefs – listening carefully for common ground.

March 2

Sex Trafficking, Surviving Life on the Streets

Carolyn Jones began prostituting herself at the age of 15 as a way to survive, and lived that life for 30 years, victimized by sex traffickers. Her sister, also a prostitute, was murdered in 2003 during a crime spree targeting prostitutes. Carolyn began praying for her life to change.



Carolyn now works at **Streetlights USA**, an organization that helps rescue women and young girls from being victims of sex trafficking. She is speaking out on behalf of other victims, in order to help them to become survivors.



March 9

The JonBenet Ramsey Investigation



PebbleCreek's **Mary Lacy** was the Boulder County chief deputy district attorney, sexual assault unit, on Christmas Day 1996, when six-year-old JonBenet was murdered. The body of the child beauty pageant queen was found in the family's basement, about eight hours after she was reported missing.

Lacy will explain why the homicide investigation was doomed from the start and how the crime scene was irrevocably tainted. She will present details about the initial stages of the investigation the Grand Jury process, and share why she took over the investigation from the Boulder Police Department.

March 16

Air Quality in Phoenix

Drive west into the White Tank Mountains and look down into Goodyear and the Valley. The brownish-purple haze that often settles on the Valley floor is the air we breathe, the result of living in an arid landscape, surrounded by farmland and mountains, with a rapid growth in population.

Air Quality Specialists with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality will tell us how harmful the air is and what is being done to reduce the problems. Founded in 1987, the department is responsible for monitoring, reporting and controlling the air, water and land pollution in our state.



March 23

Preventing Recidivism in Female Inmates



Sue Ellen Allen, an inmate in Perryville from 2002 to 2009 and a very popular lecturer two years ago, and **Martha Mayhood Mertz** (pictured left) founder of ATHENA International, will be here to tell us about the lives of the women inside the prison, what brought them to it, and what can be done to prevent future incarcerations.

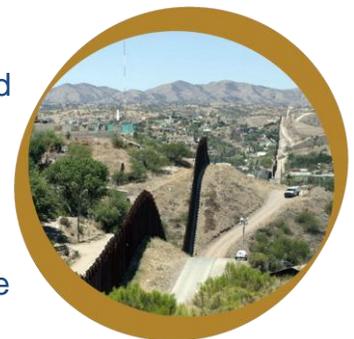
Allen, a University of Texas graduate, former educator, former business owner and former community leader, is the chief visionary for Gina's Team. Named for her prison roommate who died at age 25 while serving time, Gina's Team brings educational programs and speakers into prisons to inspire and empower inmates to strive for a better future and a successful reentry.

March 30

The Border Patrol

In 2014, thousands of women and children from Central America streamed across the U.S. border from Mexico. News reports detailed how overwhelmed the Border Patrol was, but the problems are hardly new.

Border Patrol Agents will be at PebbleCreek to provide an inside look at the work the Border Patrol is doing, the kinds of problems it faces, and how the increased number of apprehensions affects their ability to patrol the border.



Want to know more about the speakers and the subjects? Go to www.lifelonglearningatpc.org



Classes: 2015

For more information on the class subjects and instructors, as well as the registration form, visit www.lifelonglearningatpc.org/classes. Unless otherwise noted, the minimum number of participants per class is 10 and the maximum is 23.

Armchair Travel: Suzanne Korinke organizes PC residents who share their adventures abroad. Sign up for all or selected sessions. Please see the website for specific subjects.

Fridays, February 6, 13, 20, 27 and March 6, 1-3:30 p.m.

Chianti Room; Registration Required. Maximum 50; Free

Artisan Bread: Do you love the crust of artisan bread? If so, you will want to sign up for a class in making wonderful bread in your home with PebbleCreek's Gene Fioretti.

Tuesday, January 6 OR Tuesday, January 13, 10-11:15 a.m.

Private Home | Minimum 10; Maximum 15; \$10

Buddhism and Hinduism: PC resident Mike Kramer provides an introduction to Buddhist thought in the first class and an introduction to Hinduism in the second.

Thursdays, February 5 and 19, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Palermo Room; \$20 per class or \$30 for both.

Critters on the Trail: Learn about the animals encountered on walks or hikes in the Arizona desert. Ted Ingalls trains Phoenix Water Department field personnel in identification, prevention and treatment related to insects and animals in the desert.

Tuesdays, February 3 and 10, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Palm Room; Minimum 10; Maximum 35; \$30

Digital Scrapbooking: Learn about Photoshop. Create online scrapbooks, transfer pictures to canvas, mugs, etc. Graphics designer, Marcy Dorsey worked with the LLL team to develop the SCHEDULE and recently won a prestigious design award.

Saturdays, January 17 and 24, 10-11:30 a.m.

Computer Room, Activity Center; Minimum 10; Maximum 15, \$25

Estate Planning: New to Arizona? Protect your assets within this state's law. Attorney Maryann Nykamp discusses how assets are titled, the related advantages and disadvantages, wills, trusts and other important estate planning documents.

Thursday, March 12, 10-11:30 a.m.

Capri Room; \$10

Genealogy: PebbleCreek's **Beth Clymer** has started dozens of residents on the fulfilling exploration of their ancestors through the genealogy class.

Tuesdays, January 13, 20, 27, 1-3 p.m.

Computer Room, Activity Center; Minimum 10; Maximum 12; \$50



Great Decisions: Eight-week program, created by the Foreign Policy Association, focuses on critical issues facing America. Facilitated by Carole Korzilius. Each week participants read briefing book, watch a DVD and discuss the issues. 2015 topics: Russia and the Near Abroad, Privacy in the Digital Age, Sectarianism in the Middle East, India Changes Course, U.S. Policy Toward Africa, Syria's Refugee Crisis, Human Trafficking in the 21st Century and Brazil's Metamorphosis. Select one section.

Mondays, January 19-March 9. 4-6 p.m.

Tuesdays, January 20-March 10. 4-6 p.m.

Fridays, January 23-March 13, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Mondays, January 26-March 16, 6:15-8:15 p.m.

Milan Room; Absolute maximum: 22; \$30 per person; second participant sharing book, \$5

Hummingbirds and Their Habits: Fred Engelman, teacher at Rocky Mountain National Park, will reveal the habits of hummingbirds and teach you how to keep these delightful little creatures in your yard.

Tuesday, March 17, 1-2:30 p.m.

Milan Room; \$15

Interpreting Your Dreams: Robert Hoss, researcher and lecturer on dreams for more than 30 years, offers easy techniques to relate dreams to waking life situations.

Thursday, January 22, 1-4:30 p.m.

Sienna Room; \$30

Investment Basics: Graham Williams will explain, in easy to grasp terms - stocks, bonds, mutual funds, exchange traded funds, annuities. Understand what you own and the risks in your portfolio.

Tuesday, February 17, 1-3 p.m.

Milan Room; Registration required; Free

The Music and Life of Neil Diamond: PC's Lew Goldring will spin records and give a class devoted to the music and legends of Neil Diamond. One of a series of musical legends classes. Come and bring your friends.

Wednesday, February 18, 3-5 p.m.

Tuscany Falls Ballroom; Minimum 10, No maximum; \$20

Travel Independently: Prepare for your travels by researching various options on the Internet. PC's Susie Nee and Cliff Pappas travel extensively. They plan, design their own itineraries and make reservations.

Thursdays, March 5 and 12, 1-4 p.m.

Computer Room, Activity Center; \$30

Use Your E-Reader: Public Library Access: Maricopa County Library District offers digital resources that cardholders can download free. Erin MacFarlane, Goodyear Branch Manager, teaches you how.

Tuesday, January 27, 10-11:30 a.m.; Capri Room OR

Tuesday, March 3, 1-2:30 p.m.; Sienna Room

Registration required; Free

Why is Sign Language Important? Learn the benefits of signing and some easy signs for your personal use from Nanci "Rusty" Rinehart, RN, MSN, RTC, who started to lose her hearing 15 years ago.

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Capri Room; \$25

Wildlife Photography: Photographing wild animals is one of the most rewarding areas of photography. Learn essential compositional elements, simplified to 10 Tips. Kathleen Reeder, internationally published, award-winning wildlife photographer, instructor and author lives in AZ. www.KathleenReeder.com

Saturday, January 31, 9-11 a.m.

Capri Room; \$20

Trips: 2014 - 2015

Are you interested in exploring the Phoenix area? Don't want to do it alone? No need to be a member of LLL to enjoy these special excursions. Costs include entry fees, bus, tips and meals, unless otherwise noted. More details about each trip and registration forms are available at www.lifelonglearningatpc.org.



Cosanti & Taliesin West: **Cosanti** is a designated Arizona historic site, designed by world-renowned architectural innovator Paolo Soleri; Frank Lloyd Wright began building **Taliesin West** in 1937 as his winter home, studio, and architectural campus. Docent led tours at both locations. Lunch at **Village Tavern**.

Wednesday, November 12

Board bus at 9:15 a.m. Return to PebbleCreek 4:45 p.m.

Cost: \$85 per person. Maximum 48.

Organ Stop Pizza and Mormon Temple Lights: An early self-paid dinner at **Organ Stop Pizza** and a holiday concert on the Organ Stop's Wurlitzer theatre organ, known as one of the biggest and best in the world. At the **Mormon Temple** in Mesa we will walk through the extensive holiday light display, visit the international manger exhibit and enjoy a holiday concert.

Thursday, December 11

Board bus at 3:15 p.m. Return at 8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$20 per person. Maximum 48.

Behind the Scenes in Goodyear: At the **Amazon Distribution Center**, learn how Amazon manages orders from computer keyboard to your doorstep.

Cancer Treatment Center Phoenix prides itself on its multidisciplinary, individualized approach to cancer treatment. **Goodyear's 911 Dispatch Call Center**, a 10,000 sq ft state-of-the-art facility was designed to serve Goodyear's needs, growth and expansion for the next 30 years. Lunch is at **Waddell's Longhorn Corral**.



Thursday, January 15 or Thursday, February 12

Board bus at 9:30 a.m. Return to PebbleCreek at 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$45 per person. Maximum 30 per trip.

Learn more details at www.lifelonglearningatpc.org/trips



Basha's Art Gallery: The **Zelma Basha Salmeir Gallery of Western American and American Indian Art** includes 3,000+ pieces of art in numerous mediums. Works by Joe Beeler, James Reynolds, Howard Terpning, George Phippen and John Clymer, known for his famous magazine art used on 80 covers of **Saturday Evening Post** are represented. Lunch and tour at **Queen Creek Olive Mill**.

Wednesday, January 21

Board bus at 8:45 a.m. Return to PebbleCreek at 2:45 p.m.

Cost: \$45 per person. Maximum 48.

The Mystery Castle: The **Mystery Castle** is the creation of Boyce Gully, who built sand castles with his daughter Mary Lou on the beach in Seattle. His “princess” was an adult when she moved into her “castle” and began living her fairy tale. She shared her “home” by giving guided tours of her beloved Mystery Castle until her death in 2010. The 40-minute tour includes walking and steps. Lunch at **The Farm at South Mountain**.

Thursday, February 26

Board bus 9:45 a.m. Return to PebbleCreek at 2:45 p.m.

Cost: \$55 per person. Maximum 48.



Florence, AZ: Tour **Casa Grande Ruins National Monument**, where the Hohokam lived for more than 1,000 years. See the four-story Casa Grande, one of the largest prehistoric structures in North America. Walk through **Saint Anthony’s Greek Orthodox Monastery** and gardens. Tour the **Pinal County Historical Museum**, home to the Arizona State Prison’s archives and a collection of Tom Mix memorabilia. Lunch at **Mt. Athos Greek Restaurant**.

Tuesday, March 10

Board bus at 7:45 a.m. Return at 5:15 p.m.

Cost: \$65 per person Maximum 48

Phoenix Symphony: The new Music Director, Maestro Tito Munoz, conducts Mendelssohn's “Italian” Symphony No. 4, with Canadian born pianist Louis Lortie playing Chopin: Concerto No. 1 in E minor for Piano and Orchestra, op. 11. A pre-concert discussion, the concert and lunch with the conductor and guest artist.

Friday, March 20

Board bus at 9:00 a.m. Return at 2:30 p.m.

Cost: \$90 per person. Maximum 20.



Adventure in Cooking at the Wigwam: Following a tour of the **Wigwam Hotel**, we will have a cooking demonstration, **Grillin’ & Chillin’**, on the patio outside Litchfield’s by the Chef de Cuisine, Chris Knouse. Cool off with summer drinks served with Chef Knouse’s grilled specialties.

Sunday, April 19

Car pool. Free valet parking. 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$70. Minimum 30, maximum 48

Includes demonstration, dinner, drinks and tip.

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Special Events 2014-2015

Cinema Society of PebbleCreek

Love to go to the movies but despair at the offerings shown in local area theaters? Now you won't have to travel across town to see independent, foreign and other unusual films.

LifeLong Learning and the Activity Office are collaborating to bring a new program to the community: **The Cinema Society of PebbleCreek**. Once a month, November-April, members of the Cinema Society will be able to see a film and join in a discussion led by Andrew Friedenbergh, who started a Cinema Society in San Diego 31 years ago and recently expanded to Las Vegas, Scottsdale and Surprise.

A typical Cinema Society program includes a formal introduction, the screening of a feature film premiere, classic, documentary and/or short subject, followed by a cinema chat and discussion. The events typically include a guest speaker: a critic or occasionally an actor, director or studio representative involved with the film's production. Speakers share their expertise, providing a forum to discuss various aspects of the movie.

Many of the films will have been shown in film festivals; some will be movies that have not yet been released. Titles of the films are shared with the members via email before the screening date. The Cinema Society will meet in the Renaissance Theater from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the following Thursdays: November 6, December 4, January 29, February 12, March 12 and April 9. Season Membership is \$95 and tickets to individual screenings are transferrable.

Author Series: Jewell Parker Rhodes

Jewell Parker Rhodes, the award-winning author of the historical novels *Voodoo Dreams*, *Magic City*, *Dougllass' Women*, and the contemporary voodoo-inspired trilogy, *Season, Moon, Hurricane* will discuss her writing and work on **Wednesday, January 28**, at 10 a.m. in the Palm Room. The event is free but registration is required.

The artistic director and Piper Endowed Chair of the Virginia G. Piper Center for Creative Writing at Arizona State University, Rhodes has received many awards, including the American Book Award.

Learning in Phoenix

PebbleCreekers are on the move, not only seeking opportunities to continue learning within PebbleCreek, but also venturing out and finding fascinating places outside the "compound." Check www.lifelonglearningatpc.org/around for suggestions. If you hear of interesting opportunities in the greater Phoenix area, let us know and we'll consider adding them to our growing list. **EGrotta@cox.net**.

Recognize the places where the pictures in the SCHEDULE sidebars were taken? These iconic Arizona scenes, also featured on the website, are: Cover Page: The Grand Canyon. Classes: Flagstaff area. Trips: The Antelope Canyon, Navajo Reservation.