January 2023 Board Highlights

School of Career and Technical Education

• Yavapai College Horticulture program volunteers help students transport the crops to market, while sharing expertise from industry on the details of direct marketing to businesses.



• Yavapai College Horticulture students recently took a field trip to Bonnie Plant Farms to learn about large scale production horticulture in the flower and bedding plant industry. Students learned about the operation of the facility, career paths, wages, and more.





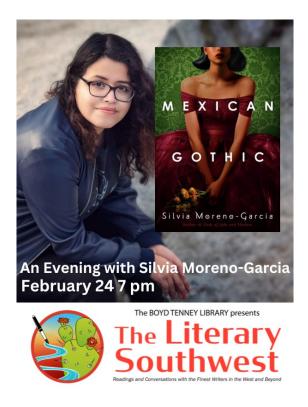
Instructional Support

 As part of our Distinguished Guest Lecture Series, Yavapai College ITS employee Matt Borja will speak in the Susan N. Webb Community Room on the Prescott Campus, Bldg. 19-147, from noon until 1:00 pm on Monday, February 6th, 2023.

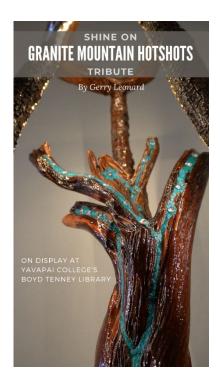


The Literary Southwest at Yavapai College's Boyd Tenney Library (Prescott Campus) will host a book talk, signing, and art exhibition reception with Silvia Moreno-Garcia, the author of Mexican Gothic. The opening reception will be held on February 24, 2023, from 5 pm – 6:30 pm, culminating in a talk with Silvia Moreno-Garcia at 7 pm. This free event will be in-person as well as live-streamed. Please register on the Yavapai College website.





 "Shine On Granite Mountain Hotshots Tribute" is currently on display at the Yavapai College Boyd Tenney Library (Prescott Campus.) This shrine evokes memories of the famous photo of the hotshots on the alligator juniper tree near Granite Mountain. It is an amazing, free-standing structure made of juniper, rhinestones, turquoise, and LED lights by Gerry Leonard.



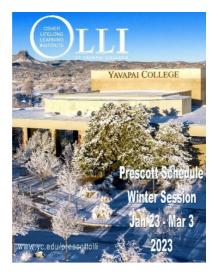


Division of Lifelong Learning (DLL) in Prescott, Sedona, and Verde Valley



• Winter 2023 classes begin January 23 in person at all locations, Prescott, Sedona, Verde Valley. Enrollment in Prescott continues to result in classes filled with waitlists. Winter offerings exceed the number offered in the Fall, anticipating continued growth in demand.





• OLLI at Yavapai College in Prescott has new crop of facilitators! One of the challenges after 2020 was rebuilding our list of volunteer facilitators. The facilitators are all OLLI. members who offer a wealth of classes and workshops throughout the year. In a good year, Prescott OLLI would add 20 new facilitators. We are please to share that in 2022. we added 42 new facilitators – a record number!





• At the OLLI Winter Term Kick-Off members and friends met in person at the Sedona Center and online in Prescott for a presentation by YC Health Sciences **Dean Marylou Mercado.** Her topic "Joyful Living that is Golden" included mental and physical tips on finding happiness in the golden years.





• OLLI at Yavapai College in Prescott hosted the first Chili Cookoff event in January, with first, second and third place winners!







Community Education in Prescott, Sedona, and Verde Valley

Verde/Sedona Community Education – Winter / Spring '23

- 10,000 copies of the CommEd catalogs were distributed throughout Sedona and the Verde Valley. Catalogs were mailed and placed at key locations, including Chambers of Commerce, libraries, Recreation Centers, 55+ Community Centers and at YC locations.
- 68 courses are being offered with 3 dance courses scheduled to be held at the Sedona Performing Arts Center.





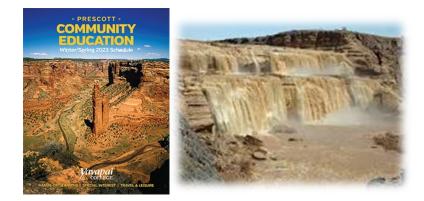
• Collaborations: In an effort to introduce a new set of mushroom-growing courses to Community Ed and meet minimum student numbers to open the courses, we have partnered with Heather Mulcaire so AGS 252 students will be allowed to take Community Education's Mushroom Farming in Detail class for lab hours. At the time of writing, we have 14 students enrolled on the course.



Prescott Community Education and EDventures – Spring 2023 Registration is Open!

- The Winter/Spring term for Prescott CommEd begins January 30 and classes are filling up!
- EDventures trips are scheduled from February through June and are limited to 10 passengers per van. Enroll early to avoid disappointment!
- Browse online catalog at <u>www.yc.edu.commed</u> and <u>www.yc.edu/edv</u>
- Call 928-717-7755 for more information and to register.





Family Enrichment Center (FEC)

• Virginia Hout, Director of the Family Enrichment Center (FEC), reports she was accepted as a new member of the First Things First Yavapai Regional Partnership Council as the early childhood director representative. Virginia is known for her long-time work in the region and as one of former grantee. She has devoted her career to supporting young children and their families in a variety of capacities for over 25 years. Prior to taking on her current role as director of Yavapai College's early childhood development lab school, she worked as a supervisor and early childhood mental health consultant. She has worked as a child and family therapist and significant experience supporting children involved in the welfare system and working with high need families. Her vision is that young children and their families would have broader access to resources and community supports, and that community members would increase their understanding and appreciation for the early years. She believes we can accomplish the best outcomes through the collective impact of coordinated efforts from a variety of invested stakeholders.





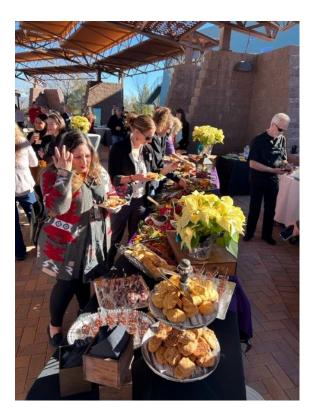
Verde Valley Campus/Sedona Center

 January 2023, the Verde Valley Campus and Sedona Center welcomed new Dean, Dr. Irina Del Genio. Dr. Del Genio has served as the Associate Dean of the Liberal, Visual and Performing Arts division at Elgin Community College where she provided strategic leadership for the Division since 2006. Dr. Del Genio earned her Ph.D. in Political Philosophy and her master's degrees in History and Political Science. She lived, studied, and worked in Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, and most recently in the U.S., as a college instructor, grant manager, and college administrator. She is a frequent guest speaker on Russian-American relations, asymmetrical



warfare, political impact of radical ideologies, and global consequences of social unrest in contemporary societies. **Dr. Del Genio's** formal introduction to the Verde Campus and Sedona Center employees will be February 9th.

 Arizona Community Foundation of Sedona chose Yavapai College Verde Valley Campus Pavilion to hold their Grant Awards Banquet. The weather was beautiful, and the event was successful. Catering by local Rosalie's Catering and wine service by our Southwest Wine Center. 52 Verde Valley charities received grants. Three additional bookings to rent the Pavilion space resulted from this event.





• The Southwest Wine Center is preparing for the upcoming Emerging Winemakers Competition and Symposium. The date is April 15th, 2023. This is the fifth year the



April 15^{art}, 2023. This is the fifth year the college has hosted the event. We have three educational speakers for the symposium, which is held in M137 on the Verde Valley campus. The keynote address will be delivered by Matt Halldorson from the University of Arizona Cooperative extension. Matt, whose background is in viticulture, will present on the annual management cycle of a vineyard. We are planning for 75 people to attend. Tickets are \$35 for the day, including lunch from the Verde YCGC café.

The competition piece of the event has added a wine label design component. There is no cost for this part of the competition. Participants can upload their designs through the website at EmergingWinemakers.com. Entries for both the wine and label competitions are due by March 31st. The Arizona Office of Tourism is the title sponsor for the event.

The Southwest Wine Center is also participating in the following off-campus events this semester.

- Arizona Community College Day at the State Capital Jan. 25th
- Sedona International Film Fest Opening Reception Feb. 19th
- Camp Verde Pecan and Wine Festival March 18th-19th
- AWGA Governor's Cup Celebration March 25th
- Verde Valley Wine Festival in May.



• The Fall Horticulture class wrapped up by planting paperwhites and amaryllis bulbs, which were forced inside the greenhouse over winter break and are beautifully displayed across campus. The snapdragons and stock have sprouted and are on display for those visiting the SWC this term.







• Skilled Trades Center Residential Electrical classes have strong enrollment this semester. We attribute this enrollment to the teaching style of Bruce Zolman, Building Inspector for the City of Sedona. Students wasted no time getting their hands on their first lab!





UPCOMING: Pathways to Careers • Exploratory Day – Feb. 10^{th,} Verde Valley Campus Tour

This FREE event connects local scholarship providers, specifically for the Skilled Trades programs, with students and families.

Attendees will enjoy lunch and learn about:

- Opportunities in career and technical programs
- What you can earn in these career fields
- How to pay for school •
- Multiple scholarship awards! •
- Drawings for iPad and airpods!



Friday, February 10, 2023 11am-1pm

Yavapai College, Verde Valley Campus **Building D - Skilled Trades Center** 601 Black Hills Drive Clarkdale, AZ. 86324

Hosted by the Arizona Community Foundation in partnership with Yavapai College, this free event connects local scholarship providers with students and families.

Attendees will enjoy lunch and learn about:

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- Agriculture Allied Health - Phlebotomy
- Brewing TechnologyCNC Machining
- Culinary Arts & Baking and Pastry
- Nursing
 Residential Construction
- Residential Electrician Residential HVAC
- Residential Plumbing
- Viticulture & Enology



