

# **THE FOREIGN SERVICE GROUP**

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**Ninth Annual Fun Festival Luncheon**

Tuesday 12 December 2017

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### **Holiday season events of interest**

#### Texas State Capitol

11<sup>th</sup> Street and Congress Avenue, Austin

Holiday season decorations. Free guided tours of the Capitol. A sound and light show featuring local musicians every half hour.

#### Mozart's Coffee: Holiday Sound and Light Show

3825 Lake Austin Blvd., Austin

Enjoy coffee, hot chocolate, and other beverages on their deck overlooking Lake Austin, and a 15-minute sound and light show running continuously from 6:00 p.m. until closing. This is a must-see show. Mozart's was named by Gourmet magazine as one of the top 20 coffee shops in the country.

#### Tuesday, December 12

GlobalAustin holiday party; at Ten Thousand Villages, 4803 Burnet Road, Austin; 5-p.m. Free parking in the lot behind the building. Appetizers provided and live music by

Maurio Callejas. A portion of all sales will benefit GlobalAustin and its programs.

Ten Thousand Villages discount cards won at the TFSG December luncheon may be used at this event.

#### Sunday, December 17: "2017 Wassail: A Solstice Christmas Celebration"

Scottish Rite Theater, 207 West 18<sup>th</sup>, Austin; 5:30 p.m.

Including tax: adults, \$16.52, children under 12, \$6.17

Fun for all ages, with a look and feel of how small English towns celebrated the season 100 years ago. All proceeds benefit the children of Darfur.

# BARNES & NOBLE

## BOOKSELLERS

At the Arboretum, Austin, Texas, recommends:

Baumann, Marty. *Toybox Time Machine: a Catalog of the Coolest Toys Never Made*. 2017, IDW Publishing, 164pp

Belton, Claire. *I Am Pusheen the Cat*. 2013, Touchstone, 179pp

Berkowitz, Joe. *Away with Words: An Irreverent Tour Through the World of Pun Competitions*. 2017, HarperCollins, 288pp

Chila-Jones, Doreen. *Say What?: 670 Quotes That Should Never Have Been Said*. 2017, Duopress, 176pp

Courtney, David and Jack Unruh. *The Texanist: Fine Advice on Living in Texas*. 2017, University of Texas Press, 120pp

Croatto, Dave. *Superman and the Miserable, Rotten, No Fun, Really Bad Day*. 2017, DC Comics, 32pp

deWitt, Patrick. *The Sisters Brothers*. 2012, HarperCollins, 336pp

Getchell, John. *Sign of the Apocalypse: Ruminations and Wit from an American Roadside Project*. 2017, Skyhorse Publishing, 136pp

Inniss, Joe, Ralph Miller and Peter Stadden. *Dark Side of the Spoon: The Rock Cookbook*. 2017, Laurence King Publishing, 96pp

Javna, Gordon and John. *Life is a Joke: 100 Life Lessons (with punch lines)*. 2017, Workman Publishing, 256pp

Lee, Laura. *The Pocket Encyclopedia of Aggravation*. 2017, Hachette Books, 272pp

Lloyd, John and John Mitchinson. *If Ignorance is Bliss, Why Aren't There More Happy People?: Smart Quotes for Dumb Times*. 2009, Crown/Archetype, 416pp

McLaughlin, Rhett and Link Neal. *Rhett & Link's Book of Mythicality: A Field Guide to Curiosity, Creativity, and Tomfoolery*. 2017, Crown/Archetype, 118pp

Simpson, Graeme. *The Rosie Project*. 2014, Simon & Schuster, 320pp