Let’s Talk About Freedom of Speech

Join us for a FRANK Talk round-table discussion of Conspiracy and Credibility: Look Who’s Talking, about What—Law Talk & Loose Talk on Thursday, February 2 at 5:30 p.m., facilitated by Dr. T. J. Davis from Arizona State University.

During this program, we will discuss the types of speech that are protected by the First Amendment and how they can influence the decisions we make.

To sign up, call (520) 723-6030 or email library@coolidgeaz.com.

Shop at the Mini Book Sale

Our annual Friends of the Library Mini Book Sale will be on Thursday, March 9 from 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

The book sale will take place right outside the library and items will be available at low, bargain prices!

We will have adult fiction, DVDs, and paperbacks.

Funds benefit the Coolidge Public Library, including the Summer Reading Program.

For more information call (520) 723-6030.
Learn All About Bird Watching in AZ

Join us Friday, February 10 at 10:30 a.m. to learn all about bird watching in Arizona. Judy Sink will guide us on a tour of bird watching hot spots in our area. She will also give information on accessibility of each area for those with limited mobility.

Put Those eReaders and eBooks to Use!

Join us Friday, February 17 at 10:30 a.m. to learn about eBooks and eReaders! As part of the Pinal County Library District, Coolidge Public Library offers a variety of electronic resources. These apps and programs allow patrons to enjoy books, audio books, and even videos on their mobile devices and tablets. Shawn Flecken, Emerging Technologies Librarian for the Pinal County Library District, will facilitate this class demonstrating these eResources and showing patrons how to best enjoy these services.

We encourage patrons to bring their tablets or mobile devices to the class. We will also have a few devices available for patron use.

To sign up, please contact the library at (520) 723-6030 or email library@coolidgeaz.com.

Color Those Worries Away!

Coloring is not just for kids. It’s fun and also helps you relieve stress and anxiety.

Adults are invited to join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. We supply coloring sheets and colored pencils. Feel free to bring your own, as well.

No need to register. Simply drop by, mingle, color, and enjoy a snack. Call (520) 723-6030 or email library@coolidgeaz.com with questions.

Adult Book Club Investigates Early 20th Century Technology & Murder

The February Book Club title is Thunderstruck by Erik Larson.

The Book Club will meet Tuesday, February 14 from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. To sign out a book club selection, simply visit the library before the scheduled meeting date. You need to have a valid contact number prior to signing out a book and should have a library card. Snacks and drinks are provided.
What's New @ the Library?

**Never Never** — Adult Fiction  
By James Patterson

Detective Harriet Blue needs to get out of town, fast. With her brother under arrest for a series of brutal murders in Sydney, Harry's chief wants the hot-headed detective kept far from the press. So he assigns her a deadly new case—in the middle of the Outback. Deep in the Western Australian desert, three young people have disappeared from the Bandya Mine. And it’s Harry’s job to track them down. But still reeling from events back home, and with a secretive new partner at her side, Harry’s not sure who she can trust anymore. And, in this unforgiving land, she has no idea how close she is to a whole new kind of danger. — Provided by publisher

**Power Game** — Adult Fiction  
By Christine Feehan

When members of a United Nations joint security force are taken hostage by radical terrorists in Indonesia, Captain Ezekiel Fortunes is called to lead the rescue team. Part of a classified government experiment, Zeke is a super soldier with enhanced abilities. He can see better and run faster than the enemy, disappear when necessary, and hunt along any terrain. There are those in the world willing to do anything for power like that. A formidable spy genetically engineered to hide in plain sight, Bellisia rarely meets a man who doesn’t want to control her or kill her. But Zeke is different. His gaze, his touch—they awaken feelings inside her that she never thought possible. He’s the kind of man she could settle down with—if she can keep him alive. — Provided by publisher

**The Past and Future City** — Adult Non Fiction  
By Stephanie Meeks

In The Past and Future City, Stephanie Meeks, the president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, describes in detail, and with unique empirical research, the many ways that saving and restoring historic fabric can help a city create thriving neighborhoods, good jobs, and a vibrant economy. She explains the critical importance of preservation for all our communities, the ways the historic preservation field has evolved to embrace the challenges of the twenty-first century, and the innovative work being done in the preservation space now. — Provided by publisher
**Crazy Quilts: A Beginner’s Guide** — Adult Non Fiction  
By Betty Fikes Pillsbury

Textile artist and instructor Betty Fikes Pillsbury has won hundreds of awards for her homages to the elegance of Victorian crazy quilting. Grounded in traditional methods but crafted with elements of whimsy, each piece stands on its own as a work of art. In this definitive guide, Pillsbury shares her methods for piecing, embroidering, and embellishing. Her instructions equip readers at any level of quilting skill to use those techniques to express their own visions. Encouraging her readers to see functional and artistic possibilities beyond quilts (wall hangings, purses, and pillowcases are just some of the options), Pillsbury shows them how to make each work by hand, the slow cloth way. An inspiring primer for beginning and experienced quilters alike, this meticulously illustrated how-to book is far more expansive than previous guides. — Provided by publisher

**Debriefing the President: The Interrogation of Saddam Hussein** — Adult Non Fiction  
By John Nixon

*Debriefing the President* presents an astounding, candid portrait of one of our era’s most notorious strongmen. Nixon, the first man to conduct a prolonged interrogation of Hussein after his capture, offers expert insight into the history and mind of America’s most enigmatic enemy. After years of parsing Hussein’s leadership from afar, Nixon faithfully recounts his debriefing sessions and subsequently strips away the mythology surrounding an equally brutal and complex man. His account is not an apology, but a sobering examination of how preconceived ideas led Washington policymakers—and the Bush White House—astray. Unflinching and unprecedented, *Debriefing the President* exposes a fundamental misreading of one of the modern world’s most central figures and presents a new narrative that boldly counters the received account. — Provided by publisher

**The Sleepwalker** — Adult Large Print Fiction  
By Chris Bohjalian

When Annalee Ahlberg goes missing, her children fear the worst. Annalee is a sleepwalker whose affliction manifests in ways both bizarre and devastating. Once, she merely destroyed the hydrangeas in front of her Vermont home. More terrifying was the night her older daughter, Lianna, pulled her back from the precipice of the Gale River bridge. The morning of Annalee’s disappearance, a search party combs the nearby woods. Annalee’s husband, Warren, flies home from a business trip. Lianna is questioned by a young, hazel-eyed detective. And her little sister, Paige, takes to swimming the Gale to look for clues. As Lianna peels back the layers of mystery surrounding Annalee’s disappearance, she finds herself drawn to Gavin, but she must ask herself: Why does the detective know so much about her mother? Why did Annalee leave her bed only when her father was away? And if she really died while sleepwalking, where was the body? — Provided by publisher
The Lost City of the Monkey God: A True Story — Adult Audio Non Fiction
By Douglas J. Preston

Since the days of conquistador Hernán Cortés, rumors have circulated about a lost city of immense wealth hidden somewhere in the Honduran interior, called the White City or the Lost City of the Monkey God. In 1940, swashbuckling journalist Theodore Morde returned from the rainforest with hundreds of artifacts and an electrifying story of having found the Lost City of the Monkey God, but then committed suicide without revealing its location. Three quarters of a century later Douglas Preston joined a team of scientists on a quest to find the lost city. — Provided by publisher

Inferno — DVD
Featuring Tom Hanks, Felicity Jones, Irrfan Khan, Omar Sy, Ben Foster, and Sidse Babett Knudsen

In this contemporary action thriller, the famous symbologist Robert Langdon (Tom Hanks) wakes up in an Italian hospital with amnesia and finds himself the target of a manhunt. Langdon teams up with Sienna Brooks (Felicity Jones), a doctor he hopes will help him recover his memories. Together, they race across Europe and against the clock to stop a virus that would wipe out half of the world’s population. — Product description

The Light between Oceans — DVD
Featuring Michael Fassbender, Alicia Vikander, Rachel Weisz, Bryan Brown, and Jack Thompson

Lighthouse keeper Tom Sherbourne (Michael Fassbender) and radiant, spirited Isabel (Alicia Vikander) live together in married bliss on a remote, rugged island off the coast of Australia. But their windswept world is turned upside down when Isabel learns that she’s unable to bear a child. One day, a drifting lifeboat washes ashore with a crying baby in it. The dilemma the couple now face will echo far beyond the island, engulfing and irrevocably impacting their world - and that of a stranger (Rachel Weisz) - in a passionate story about love, hope, and a fateful choice. — Product description

Rani Patel In Full Effect — Young Adult Fiction
By Sonia Patel

When Rani’s father leaves her mother for another woman, Rani shaves her head in mourning. The visibility of her act of rebellion propels her onto the stage as a hip-hop performer and into a romantic relationship with a man who is much older. The whirlwind romance, coming on the heels of her father’s abandonment, make her begin to understand how her father’s sexual abuse wounded her in deeper ways than she, or her mother, have ever been able to acknowledge. — Provided by publisher
The Movie Version — Young Adult Fiction
By Emma Wunsch

In the movie version of Amelia’s life, the roles have always been clear. Her older brother, Toby: definitely the Star. As for Amelia? She’s Toby Anderson’s Younger Sister. She’s perfectly happy to watch Toby’s hijinks from the sidelines, when she’s not engrossed in one of her elaborately themed Netflix movie marathons.

But recently Toby’s been acting in a very non-movie-version way. He’s stopped hanging out with his horde of friends and started obsessively journaling and disappearing for days at a time. Amelia feels adrift without her star, but to best help Toby—and herself—it might be time to cast a new role: Amelia Anderson, leading lady. — Provided by publisher

We Want to Hear from You!
The Coolidge Public Library is building a small study room. It will have a round table and chairs and will seat up to three people.
The room will also have electric outlets and an Internet connection. Like all of the library, there will be free Wi-Fi access. We are seeking input from the community on how you might use this room. Please complete this survey beginning January 30 until March 1, available online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YBFYK6P

Thank you!

Tween Titans
Are you between the ages of 9 and 12? We have just the thing for you! Tween Titans is both a fun and educational program that focuses on art, science, and more.

Tweens will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 3 and Friday, February 17. On the 3rd we ask tweens to “Throw Kindness Like Confetti” in celebration of Random Acts of Kindness Week.

And on the 17th we will do STEAM activities and demonstrate our 3D doodler.

Registration is not required to attend.

LEGO Club Fuels Creativity
This is an exciting program for children ages 5-12 years old. We supply the LEGO and the children supply the imagination! Lego Club will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 10 and Friday, February 24.

Lego Club is great for kids because it helps enhance their fine motor skills, as well as their social, and problem solving skills. With the fun challenges we provide, Lego Club can be a way to help strengthen those STEM skills, too!

This program is not intended for children under the age of 5. Call (520) 723-6030 with questions.
Budding Bookworms!

Fun Van Meets Monday and Thursday Mornings

The Fun Van will continue to meet Monday and Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

Families with children ages 5 and younger are invited to learn new pre-literacy skills.

Raising a Reader teaches parents how to develop the habit of sharing books with their children most effectively. The Fun Van is funded through First Things First.

Registration is required: see http://www.aipl.org/van/ for instructions, or ask us for a Fun Van flyer.

Hearts and Bodies Exercised at Story Time

Story time is held on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. Children can listen to a story and complete a fun craft.

On February 8 we will celebrate Valentine’s Day with books that show children how they can express love. After those stories, children will get a Valentine’s surprise!

On February 15 Coolidge Parks and Recreation will be here to demonstrate physical fitness through stories.

Children must be with a parent or legal guardian at all times. Call (520) 723-6030 with questions.

Early Literacy Tip—Use Your Imagination

Here’s a tip from Saroj Ghoting, Early Childhood Literacy Consultant:

Having children think up their own endings to stories helps develop their imagination. Being ready to learn includes a healthy dose of creativity! You can also ask “What if . . . ?” and see what ideas they come up with.

Miss Dani recommends finding wordless picture books, like Boom Boom by Sarvinder Naberhaus, to help start a conversation between you and your little one.

Vision and Hearing Screened for Children 0-5

Families are welcome to visit the library on Wednesday, February 1 and Wednesday, February 15 between 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Vision and hearing screenings will be given to children from birth to 5 1/2. The key to your child’s good hearing and vision health is early detection!

Registration takes place on site, the day of the screening.

Screenings are provided by the University of Arizona’s Cooperative Extension in Pinal County and First Things First.
**Budding Bookworms: New Books**

*Fix It Man* — Children’s Picture Book  
By Susan Hood  
Meet Joshua James, the fix-it man. If he can’t fix it, no one can! When a stinky problem arises, Joshua James takes matters into his own hands with a little help from his younger sister, Sophie.  
This playful read-aloud story with catchy text and imaginative illustrations is sure to inspire young inventors everywhere. — Provided by publisher

*Caveboy Dave: More Scrawny than Brawny* — Juvenile Fiction  
By Aaron Reynolds and Illustrated by Phil McAndrew.  
His grandpa invented fire. His dad invented the wheel. How will Caveboy Dave leave his mark? Dave Unga-Bunga has always been more scrawny than brawny. This is a major problem when your village expects you to become a meat-bringer. At age twelve, all young cave-people must stalk through the eerie mushroom forests for a prehistoric beast the village can feast on.  
Dave would much rather invent stuff for a better life, though—like underwear to make loincloths less itchy and cutlery to make eating less filthy. Can Dave save his group by inventing the perfect defense against a bloodthirsty pokeyhorn? Or will he MEET HIS DOOM? — Provided by publisher

*Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them: The Beasts Cinematic Guide* — Juvenile Non Fiction  
By Felicity Baker  
In the essential film companion for *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* learn all about the extraordinary beasts that Magizoologist Newt Scamander carries in his magical leather case!  
From the adorable, furry Niffler to the majestic Swooping Evil, this *Cinematic Guide* features captivating beasts and magical movie moments from *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*. — Provided by publisher
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Email: library@coolidgeaz.com to subscribe to our monthly newsletter and events calendar.

Library Observes Holiday Closures—Presidents’ Day

The Coolidge Public Library will be closed on Monday, February 20 for Presidents’ Day.

We will reopen Tuesday, February 21 at 8:00 a.m. Items can be returned during holiday closures in the book drops.

You can still access many library resources when we are closed! Check out cloudLibrary eBooks or Zinio digital magazines. Go to www.coolidgeaz.com/library and click on Digital Resources.

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