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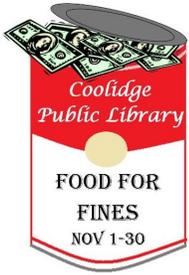
Coolidge Public Library

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**A Wealth of Information Awaits You**

## Donate Food for Fines



Library accounts with a balance over \$5 are automatically blocked from checking out books or using computers. November will be a great month to reduce the fines on your account and give back to those in need within the community.

From November 1-30, every non-perishable item that you bring in will equal \$1 removed

from your library fines. All items must be undamaged and unexpired. Everything that is collected throughout the month will be given to Open Hands, which provides food for local families in need.

If you don't have fines and would still like to donate, the local food bank would greatly appreciate your donation. You can drop off items at the library. Please call the library at (520) 723-6030 with questions.

## Friends of the Library Holds Book Sale

Our Annual Friends of the Library Book Sale is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 18-19. The sale will run from 8—2 p.m. on Friday and then from 8-12 p.m. on Saturday at the Women's Club, located on 240 W. Pinkley Ave. (the street behind the library).

There will be a variety of items available, from adult and children's books to DVD's. All funds

will help the Friends of the Coolidge Library with their mission to provide support to the various services and educational programs the library provides to those in the community.



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### Special Points of Interest...

- Lego Club—November 4
- Library Closure—November 11
- Holiday Shopping—November 15
- Tween Titans—November 18
- Book Sale—November 18-19
- Library Closure—November 24-26
- Blood Drive—November 29
- Polar Express—December 14

## Do Your Holiday Shopping without Breaking the Bank



Do you find come New Year's Day that you've spent too much on holiday gifts? Would you like to learn how to create a holiday budget and

stick to it?

Then please join us November 15 at 5:30 p.m. to learn how to shop for the holidays

without breaking the bank.

This program is facilitated by Kimberly Saxberg of Bank of the West.

Registration is encouraged. Please call (520) 723-6030 or email [library@coolidgeaz.com](mailto:library@coolidgeaz.com) with questions.

## Save a Life at Blood Drive



Did you know that one pint of blood can help save up to three lives?

You can help make a difference by donating at our community blood drive on Tuesday, November 29 anytime between 11:00 and 3:15 p.m.

You can pre-register by visiting the American Red Cross's web site at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Find the blood drive by entering the zip code or the sponsor code: CoolLibrary.

Questions? Call (520) 723-6030 or email us at [library@coolidgeaz.com](mailto:library@coolidgeaz.com).

## Color Those Worries Away!

Coloring is not just for kids. It's fun and also helps you relieve stress and anxiety. Join us for some mindfulness!

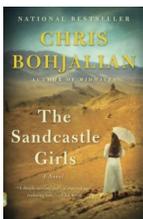
Adults are invited to join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. We supply coloring sheets and colored pencils.

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](mailto:library@coolidgeaz.com) with questions.



## Adult Book Discussion Examines Historical Fiction



The November Book Club title is *The Sandcastle Girls* by Chris Bohjalian.

The Book Club will meet Tuesday, November 8 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.

## Try Our Featured Online Tool: The Arizona Small Business Development Center Network



Do you want more information about starting your own business or even growing an existing one? The Arizona Small Business Development Center Network helps to launch, grow, and sustain small businesses in Arizona.

The AZSBDC Network offers one-on-one con-

sultations as well as workshops and training programs and has 26 locations across the state, including one in Casa Grande.

Visit [pinalcountyaz.gov/library](http://pinalcountyaz.gov/library) and click on the Research tab. You will find this tool under Business. Ask a library staff member for assistance.

## LEGO Club Builds Imagination

This is an exciting program for children ages 5-12 years old. We supply the LEGOS and the children supply the imagination! Lego Club will meet at 4:00 p.m. on November 4.

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.

## Polar Express Story Time Returns



Story time is held on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. Children ages 1-4 can listen to a story and complete a fun craft.

We invite families with children ages 1-4 to join us for a very special and festive story time on Wednesday, December 14 at 10:15 a.m., at San Carlos Park (300 W Central).

Together, with the Coolidge Youth Coalition and

the Desert Express Train, this will be a story time you will never forget!

Listen to The Polar Express story, enjoy a snack, and then ride a train around the park! We will provide you with a Polar Express ticket that will grant you access to the train.

Children must be with a parent or legal guardian at all times.

## Fun Van Adds New Day and Story Time Holds a Balloon Parade



The Fun Van will continue to meet Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. and will add a new time on Thursday also at

10:00 a.m. Families with children ages 5 and younger are invited to learn new pre-literacy skills.

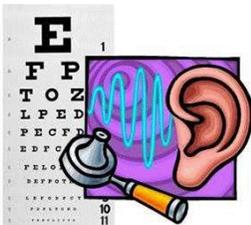
Raising a Reader teaches parents how to develop the habit of sharing books with their children most effectively. The Fun Van is funded

through First Things First.

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

Weekly Story Times continue each Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. You won't want to miss our special Balloon Parade Story Time on Wednesday, November 23 at 10:15 a.m. Kids will listen to a story, do a fun craft, and partake in a balloon parade. Adults must be with children at these events.

## FREE Screenings Available for Children Ages 0-5



Families are welcome to visit the library on Monday, November 9 between 9:00 a.m.—noon.

Vision, hearing, and developmental 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.

## Tween Titans—What are you thankful for?

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.

On November 18 at 4:00 p.m. we will ask our Tween Titans to think of a person they are

thankful for and send them a special note. After that we have a fun activity planned!

Registration is not required.



## Library Observes Holiday Closures

The Coolidge Public Library will be closed on Friday, November 11 for Veterans Day. We will reopen Saturday, November 12 at 8:00 a.m.

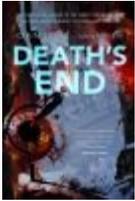
We will be closed November 24-26 for the Thanksgiving break and will reopen Monday, November 28 at 8:00 a.m. Items can be returned during holiday closures in the book drops.

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](http://www.coolidgeaz.com/library) and click on Digital Resources.

# What's New @ the Library?

## **Death's End** — Adult Fiction

By Cixin Liu

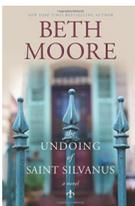


With *The Three-Body Problem*, English-speaking readers got their first chance to experience the bestselling *Three-Body Trilogy* by China's most beloved science fiction author, Cixin Liu. Now this epic trilogy concludes with *Death's End*. Half a century after the Doomsday Battle, the uneasy balance of *Dark Forest Deterrence* keeps the Trisolaran invaders at bay. Earth enjoys unprecedented prosperity due to the infusion of Trisolaran knowledge. With human science advancing daily and the Trisolarans adopting Earth culture, it seems that the two civilizations will soon be able to co-exist peacefully as equals without the terrible threat of mutually assured annihilation.

But the peace has also made humanity complacent. Cheng Xin, an aerospace engineer from the early 21st century, awakens from hibernation in this new age. She brings with her knowledge of a long-forgotten program dating from the beginning of the Trisolar Crisis, and her very presence may upset the delicate balance between two worlds. Will humanity reach for the stars or die in its cradle? — Provided by publisher

## **Undoing of Saint Silvanus** — Adult Fiction

By Beth Moore



Only God knew why Jillian Slater agreed to return to New Orleans on the news that her father had finally drunk himself to death. It's not like they were close. She hadn't seen him—or her grandmother, the ice queen—in almost 20 years. But when Adella Atwater, the manager of her grandmother's apartment house, called and said Jillian's expenses would be paid if she'd fly in for the burial, a free trip to New Orleans was too intriguing to resist.

What Adella didn't tell her was that the apartment house wasn't a house at all and, whatever it was, bore the dead weight of a long and painful history. As soon as Jillian meets the odd assortment of renters and realizes that her grandmother had no idea she was coming, she hatches a plan to escape. But the investigation into her father's death quickly unfolds and Jillian is drawn into the lives of the colorful collection of saints and sinners who pass through Saint Silvanus. She soon discovers there is more at stake than she ever imagined. Who is behind the baffling messages and the strange relics left on the steps? Is it possible that her family is actually cursed? Or is it just this crazy old house that holds them all under its spell? — Provided by publisher

**The Man who Made Things out of Trees** — Adult Non Fiction

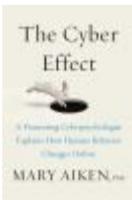
By Robert Penn



An exuberant tale of craftsmanship for nature lovers and rugged outdoor types everywhere. Robert Penn cut down an ash tree to see how many things could be made from it. After all, ash is the tree we have made the greatest and most varied use of over the course of human history. Journeying from Wales across Europe and Ireland to the USA, Robert finds that the ancient skills and knowledge of the properties of ash, developed over millennia making wheels and arrows, furniture and baseball bats, are far from dead. The book chronicles how the urge to understand and appreciate trees still runs through us all like grain through wood. — Provided by publisher

**The Cyber Effect** — Adult Non Fiction

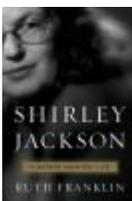
By Mary Aiken



From one of the world's leading experts in cyberpsychology-- a discipline that combines psychology, forensics, and technology-- comes a groundbreaking exploration of the impact of technology on human behavior. In the first book of its kind, Mary Aiken applies her expertise in cyber-behavioral analysis to a range of subjects, including criminal activity on the Deep Web and Darknet; deviant behavior; Internet addictions; the impact of technology on the developing child; teenagers and the Web; cyberromance and cyber-friendships; cyberchondria; the future of artificial intelligence; and the positive effects on our digital selves, such as online altruism. — Provided by publisher

**Shirley Jackson: a rather haunted life** — Adult Non Fiction

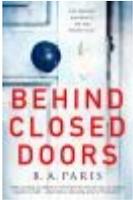
By Ruth Franklin



Still known to millions only as the author of the "The Lottery," Shirley Jackson (1916-1965) remains curiously absent from the American literary canon. A genius of literary suspense, Jackson plumbed the cultural anxiety of postwar America better than anyone. Now, biographer Ruth Franklin reveals the tumultuous life and inner darkness of the author behind such classics as *The Haunting of Hill House* and *We Have Always Lived in the Castle*. Placing Jackson within an American Gothic tradition of Hawthorne and Poe, Franklin demonstrates how her unique contribution to this genre came from her focus on "domestic horror" drawn from an era hostile to women. Based on a wealth of previously undiscovered correspondence and dozens of new interviews, *Shirley Jackson*, with its exploration of astonishing talent shaped by a damaged childhood and a troubled marriage to literary critic Stanley Hyman, becomes the definitive biography of a generational avatar and an American literary giant. — Provided by publisher

**Behind Closed Doors** — Adult Large Print Fiction

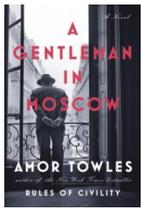
By B. A. Paris



The perfect marriage? Or the perfect lie? Everyone knows a couple like Jack and Grace. He has looks and wealth, she has charm and elegance. You might not want to like them, but you do. You'd like to get to know Grace better. But it's difficult, because you realise Jack and Grace are never apart. Some might call this true love. Others might ask why Grace never answers the phone. Or how she can never meet for coffee, even though she doesn't work. How she can cook such elaborate meals but remain so slim. And why there are bars on one of the bedroom windows. — Provided by publisher

**A Gentleman in Moscow** — Adult Audio Fiction

By Amor Towles



"A Gentleman in Moscow immerses us in another elegantly drawn era with the story of Count Alexander Rostov. When, in 1922, he is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, the count is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him a doorway into a much larger world of emotional discovery" — Provided by publisher

**Parched** — DVD

Featuring Tannishtha Chatterjee, Radhika Apte, Surveen Chawla, and Adil Hussain



An inspirational drama set in rural India, *Parched* traces the tale of four ordinary women: traditional Rani, a young widow; lively Lajjo, who lives in an abusive marriage; outcast Bijli, a dancer and prostitute who becomes friends with Rani and Lajjo; and Janaki, a young teenager in a miserable arranged marriage to Rani's son. Their lives are harsh, but as the friends candidly (and privately) share their struggles, they gradually begin to question the century-old traditions that lock them in servitude. One fateful night, they take a bold step that will change their lives. — Product description

**Lucky Strikes** — Young Adult Fiction

By Louis Bayard



Set in Depression Era Virginia, this is the story of orphaned Amelia and her struggle to keep her siblings together. With her mama recently dead and her pa sight unseen since birth, Amelia is suddenly in charge of her younger brother and sister-- and the family gas station. To keep a competitor at bay and keep her family out of foster care, Melia must come up with a father-- fast. When a hobo rolls out of a passing truck, Melia grabs opportunity by its beard. Can she convince the town that Hiram is her long lost father, and keep the family together until she comes of age? — Provided by publisher

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### **Yellow Time** — Children's Picture Book

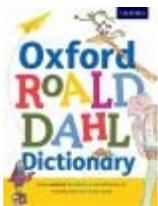
By Lauren Stringer



Children and animals alike excitedly anticipate yellow time, when the trees release their colorful leaves to blanket the earth, crows raise their voices joyfully from the bare branches, and squirrels busy themselves preparing their nests for winter. This lyrical celebration of the beauty and fun of autumn is sure to become a perennial fall favorite. — Provided by publisher

### **Oxford Roald Dahl Dictionary** — Juvenile Non-Fiction

By Roald Dahl



This is not an ordinary dictionary. After all, you wouldn't expect a Roald Dahl Dictionary to be ordinary, would you? Only really interesting words are allowed in this dictionary. All the words which Roald Dahl invented are here, plus the names of Roald Dahl's characters and places. You will also find words that are important in Roald Dahl's world. Finally, some words are simply here just for fun. — Provided by publisher