

# Word About Town

## October 2019



### **Re-Spook, Re-Scare, Re-Wear Halloween at the Costume Swap**

October 12th @ 10, October 18th @ 5:00

Clear out your closet and get rid of all those old costumes! Bring your gently used children, teen and adult costumes, masks and accessories you have to the library. Everyone can shop and go home with a "new to you" costume. Remember, supplies are limited. Please share generously. You can drop off clean reusable costumes Monday, September 23 - Friday, October 11 during library hours. Left-over costumes will be donated to The McKinney-Vento Program.

### **CARVE UP SOME FUN WITH FAMILY PUMPKIN PAINTING AND CARVING**

October 29th @ 4:00

Halloween is here and what better way to celebrate than by carving a pumpkin? For those who do not want to get messy with carving, you can decorate pumpkins with paint instead. All ages are welcome at this family event. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. The annual Pumpkin Carving Party is on Tuesday, October 29th at 4:00 PM. Supplies and pumpkins will be provided, but you can also bring your own carving tools. Please call (520) 723-6030 or email at [library@coolidgeaz.com](mailto:library@coolidgeaz.com) with questions.

### **Coolidge Days Closure at the Library**

Saturday, October 5th All Day

Coolidge Days will take place Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 4th through the 6th in downtown Coolidge. Visit City Hall by October 3rd to buy tickets. For more information visit [www.coolidgeaz.com](http://www.coolidgeaz.com) or call 520-723-5361. The Library will be closed Saturday, October 5th for Coolidge Days and will reopen Monday, October 7th at 8:00 AM. Items can be returned during closures in the book drops. You can still access many library resources during closures! Check out cloudLibrary eBooks or RBdigital magazines and audiobooks. Go to [www.coolidgeaz.com/library](http://www.coolidgeaz.com/library) and click on Digital Resources for details.

### **Meet with the Board of the Library**

Would you like to serve on the Library Advisory Board? Pick up an application at the library or online at [www.coolidgeaz.com/](http://www.coolidgeaz.com/) (Boards and Commissions tab). Application first review date will be November 4, 2019.

# Something for Everyone

## Sharpen Chess Skills with Knights of the Square Table Chess Club

October 2nd @ 4:00 - 5:30

Want to learn how to play chess? Interested in stepping up your game by challenging new players? Then look no further: Knights of the Square Table is the place to be! Attend the 1st Wednesday of every month for the Library's very own chess club. The club is open to all skill levels and all ages are welcome.

## TRY A NEW CRAFT DURING STITCH-U-ATION

October 25th @ 2:00

At Stitch-U-Ation, members enjoy helping one another with needlework projects including knitting, crochet, needlepoint, and classic sewing, along with great conversation and encouragement. Thanks to the wonder of YouTube, members of Stitch-U-Ation can now get together and work on a new skill together. This club is always open to all ages. Folks with on-going projects can still come in and work on those as well. Stitch-u-Ation happens the fourth Friday of each month.

## Explore and Create STEAM for All Ages

October 4th @ 4:00

Did you know the Library has a wide variety of STEM kits from 3D printers, to robots, to snap circuits and more? All ages are welcomed to visit the Library the first Friday of every month at 4:00. Explore the wonderful world of STEM through fun, and interactive kits, during this new program: Explore & Create. To schedule a reservation for the 3D printer please email [coolidgepubliclibrary@pinal.gov](mailto:coolidgepubliclibrary@pinal.gov) You will receive a confirmation email upon approval. Space for the 3D Printer is limited. Visit [www.tinkercad.com](http://www.tinkercad.com) to select a printer design that works for our printer.

## What Do You Think Wildland Fire Management is?

October 9th @ 5:30

Wildfire suppression is a range of firefighting tactics used to conquer wildfires. Firefighting efforts in wildland areas require different techniques, equipment, and training from the more familiar structure firefighting found in populated areas. Learn what makes Wildland Firefighting so unique with Tiffany Davila from the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management.

## ***Picture (book) this at the Picture Book Workshop***

Monday, October 7 - Thursday, October 10 @ 3:00, open to all ages.

The Pinal County Library District occasionally offers cartooning programs as part of its outreach to member libraries. The Library is thrilled to bring this week-long program to the community during the Fall Break for the 2019 school year. A different step in the comic and picture book making process will be introduced each day during the week of October 7th. Seating is very limited for this program, please register at 520-723-6030 to ensure a spot. Artists under seven years old should be accompanied by an adult.

# DINE WHILE YOU DESIGN AT THE LIBRARY

Friday, October 11th & 25th @ 11:00 - 2:00

Design and Dine is a mixed media fiber arts program. Mixed media fiber arts turns everything into an art project. Fiber art is the use of fibrous materials and the appearance of the woven, knitted, printed, or in other ways treated materials to create masterpieces as unique as the artists themselves. Participants are encouraged to bring their own lunch into the library during Design and Dine. Work on a new project each month. Projects include junk journaling, doll making, different needlework techniques, mosaics, raw-edge appliqué designs, surface design, heat transfer images, fabric, paper, found objects, are all a part of mixed media fiber arts. This new club is open to any skill level and anyone aged 12 and older. Registration for this class is strongly encouraged as seating will be limited. The debut project for Design and Dine is Junk Journaling.

## Build Your English Skills for Free at Speak Easy ESL

Mondays @ 4:30 & Thursdays @ 4:00

The Library is excited to introduce conversational ESL, or English as a Second Language classes to the community thanks to Malgorzata "Gosia" Gawron. Gosia has a Master of Arts in TESOL, or Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from Northeastern Illinois University. Gosia is eager to share her passion with Coolidge twice a week, on Mondays at 4:30 PM, and Thursdays at 4 PM. Feel free to contact the Library to register for class or call 520-723-6030 for more information.

## HALLOWEEN STORYTIME IS BACK

Wednesday, October 30th @ 10:15

Calling all pirates, ballerinas, superheroes, draculas, and witches too. There is a spooky story time planned just for you. Join in the annual Preschool Halloween Story Time. Once children have listened to a couple of fun stories, they will be led to various city offices to trick-or-treat. City staff will hand out treats, then the children will return to the library. Costumes are encouraged! Parents must remain with children at all times. Registration is not required. Wednesday, October 30th at 10:15 a.m. Call (520) 723-6030 with questions.

## Fun Van is Mixing It Up

Tuesdays @ 9 & 11:00

Fun Van offers parents a free lesson in early literacy skills as their infants and toddlers play and learn. Each 90 minute class can include: craft, storytime, a book kit to take home, and a snack. To learn more or to register for either time call 480-271-8242, or visit <https://www.ajpl.org/funvan/contact/>.

## Wiggle on Over to The Learning Tree Storytime

October 23rd @ 10:15 AM Ages 0 - 2

Baby bookworms have different developmental stages and need different early literacy styles. That's why Miss Dani is introducing a lap-sit story time designed for the bittiest of baby bookworms on the last Wednesday of the month. Don't worry classic Storytime with Miss Dani still takes place every Wednesday at 10:15, only the last Wednesday of each month is reserved for Learning Tree Storytime.

## Join the Writer's Workshop

2nd Wednesday of the month @ 3:00

Coolidge Local, and published author, Saskia Tepe will help budding authors sharpen their story skills with this monthly workshop on the second Thursday of every month at 3:00 p.m. The first meeting will take place on October 9th. This program will run through April 2020. Registration is encouraged, please call 520-723-6030 for more information.

## LET'S COLOR YOUR WORRIES AWAY

October 8th & 22nd @ 1:30

The Library offers adults over 18 a chance to embrace childhood and Color Your Worries Away twice each month. Coloring is for adults only. Don't worry, snacks will be provided. Color Your Worries Away happens the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

## Be a First Time Home Buyer

Wednesday, October 23rd @ 5:00

Part of the American Dream is owning your own home. Home ownership means being free of rental restrictions, but it also means navigating a fairly complicated and very intimidating process. Down payments, inspections, warranties, interest rates, types of interest, mortgage types, mortgage insurance, credit scores, - oh my! The library wants to help walk folks through this process. Axia Home Loans and Berkshire Home Services will be back in the library on October 23rd to slowly and thoughtfully discuss any part of the home buying process you may need clarified, or even the process as a whole. Snacks will be served and registration is not necessary.

## LEARN TO TECH LIKE A PRO DURING TEA & TECH

First and Third Monday of the month  
October 7th & 21st @ 2:30

Learn tech tricks and tips with the library's own Victoria and Victoria. Join them for talks on tech issues that relate to you most, and for one-on-one lessons you need. We will focus on resume and job applications online this month. Of course you are welcome to bring other tech problems to the session as well. Tea and Tech is never limited to the topic at hand.

## Get Some Life Insurance

### Hacks with



Wednesday, October 16th @ 5:00

Life insurance is a contract between an insurance policy holder and an insurer or assurer, where the insurer promises to pay a designated beneficiary a sum of money in exchange for a premium, upon the death of an insured person. Coolidge local and State Farm agent Yolanda Manzanedo will be in the library to talk about why life insurance premiums can vary from person to person, what makes life insurance so important, what is covered by life insurance, and other options for taking care of loved ones for the future.



# Get the Library STEAM'd Up

## Why Not Sugar Code It!

October 1st @ 4:00 Ages 7 - 18

Learn the fundamentals of computer coding both on and off screen, in a fun and engaging environment, thanks to code.org and Miss Dani. Code.org is a non-profit organization and website led by Hadi Partovi, that encourages people, particularly school-aged children in the United States, to learn computer science.

## Try Something New with Block Heads

Friday, October 25th @ 4:00

The latest children's program, Block Heads uses Kid Spark STEM Education robotics kits. It is an empowering, engaging, hands-on STEM lesson for children. The program helps students to establish STEM identity (seeing one's self as capable of learning science, technology, engineering, and math) and experience technology fluency (confidence to creatively work with technology to solve problems). Block Heads is open to kids 7 to 18.

## Be a Tween Titan

October 18th @ 4:00 Ages 9 - 14

Are you between the ages of 9 and 14? We have just the thing for you! Tween Titans is both a fun and educational program that focuses on science, technology, art, math, and more. Tween Titans is now held on the 3rd Friday of each month at 4 PM.

## Build Your Imagination with Lego Club

October 11th @ 4:00

Ages 5-12

This is an exciting program for children ages 5-12 years old. LEGO Club supplies the LEGOS and the children supply the imagination. The classic Lego Club meets at 4 PM the second Friday of each month, for pure Lego fun.



October 15th  
@ 4:00  
Grades 3 - 12

Girls Who Code is a nationwide program with over 150,000 members across the country. Girls Who Code meets at 4 PM on the third Tuesday of each month. Sign up anytime and learn a life-long skill and exciting career field.

## Bring STEAM to the Littlest of Readers

Monday, October 28th @ 9:30 Ages 0 - 5

Once a month Preschool Learn 'n' Play brings the fun of science to Bitty Budding Bookworms. Preschool Learn 'n' Play is a free-form play time that puts the wonder of science and the joy of learning into the hands of preschoolers. Preschool Learn 'n' Play happens on the 4th Monday of every month.

# Check Out a CPL Book Clubs

## Read It and Whisk It!

October 21st @ 5:30

Cooks + Books is ready to roll again as Read It and Whisk It. This is a less-than-traditional book club where the group chooses a theme for the following month, then chooses a recipe from a cookbook to share with the group. The recipes can be down home traditional fair like your grandmother's meatloaf recipe during Comfort Foods month, or a new recipe such as Chilaquiles for South American Foods month.

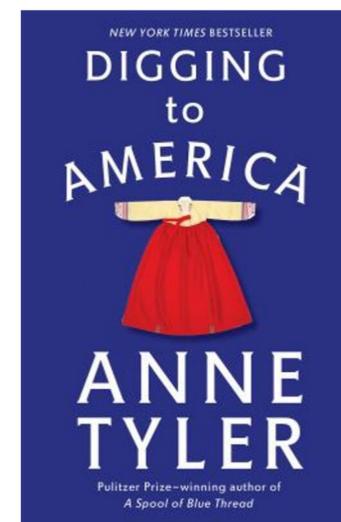
It just depends on the theme. Participants often share a potluck with samples of recipe successes. The important thing is recipes and stories get shared with one another. Read It and Whisk It is open to teens and up. Registration for this club is not required, but is helpful. The food theme for this month is: **'Fall'oween.** Choose a cross between cozy fall and spooky Halloween. Then you just select a recipe or two that caught your eye. Bring those recipes in to be shared with the group. Food samples are always optional but appreciated.

## Pinal County Page Turners

Second Tuesday of each month, October 8th @ 5:30 PM

*Digging to America* by Anne Tyler

"At a point when foreign adoptions are being contested and immigration continues to be problematic, Tyler seems to once again have her finger on the pulse of America. Two families meet at the airport as they await the arrival of their Korean-born daughters. The Iranian American Yazdans immediately set about Americanizing their daughter, while the Donaldsons do everything to help their child keep her Korean heritage. Leaning on each other for support as their daughters grow, these families have all the quirks one expects from Tyler's novels--including love to be found in the place one least expects it." [Americanlibraryjournal.com](http://Americanlibraryjournal.com)

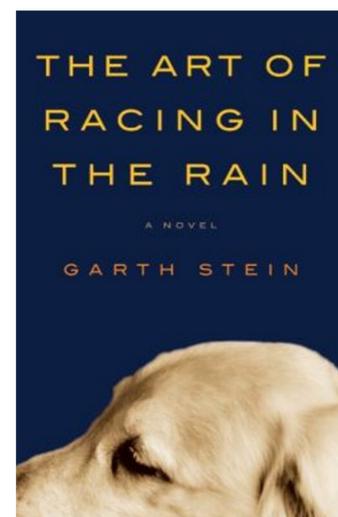


## The Remix

The fourth Thursday of each month, October 24th @ 2 PM

*The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein

"If you've ever wondered what your dog is thinking, Stein's third novel offers an answer. Enzo is a lab terrier mix plucked from a farm outside Seattle to ride shotgun with race car driver Denny Swift as he pursues success on the track and off. Denny meets and marries Eve, has a daughter, Zoe, and risks his savings and his life to make it on the professional racing circuit. Enzo, frustrated by his inability to speak and his lack of opposable thumbs, watches Denny's old racing videos, coins koanlike aphorisms that apply to both driving and life, and hopes for the day when his life as a dog will be over and he can be reborn a man." [Harpercollins.com](http://Harpercollins.com)



To sign up for any book club, simply visit the library before the scheduled meeting date. You will need a valid contact number and a library card with Pinal County to sign out any book club kit book. Call the library at (520) 723-6030 or email us at [library@coolidgeaz.com](mailto:library@coolidgeaz.com), for more information.