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Word About Town

November 2019

Pay Your Fines with Food in November

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 1st through 30th, every non-perishable item that you bring in will equal \$1 removed from your library fines. All items must be un-damaged 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 during November. Please call the library at (520) 723-6030 with questions.

National Guard Talks About Opioids November 5th @ 1:00

More people die from opioid deaths than in vehicle accidents. Since most opioid addiction disorders begin with legally dispensed prescription medications, this is a problem in all communities. Coolidge Youth Coalition is excited to bring Opioid Abuse Awareness training to the library. This partnership is committed to mitigating this crisis and keeping our youth and families safe. The Arizona National Guard Counter Drug Task Force, is leading this presentation called RX 360. RX360 Training educates the community on the reasons why individuals are misusing prescription drugs, how to communicate with family and friends about opioid misuse, how to safeguard your medications, how to spot medicine abuse, and proper disposal methods for prescription drugs.

Holiday Closures

Monday, November 11th & November 28th to December 1st.

The Coolidge Public Library will be closed Monday, November 11th for Veterans Day and will reopen Tuesday, November 12th at 8:00 a.m. The library will also be closed Thursday-Saturday, November 28-30 for the Thanksgiving Holiday, and will reopen Monday, December 2 at 8:00 a.m. 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 and click on Digital Resources.

Don't Miss Friends of the Coolidge Library Annual Sale

Educator Pre-Sale: November 21st from 4:00 to 6:00

Public Sale: November 22nd from 8:00 to 2:00 & 23rd from 8:00 to 12:00

The Annual Friends of the Library Book Sale is Friday and Saturday, November 22 & 23. The sale will run from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday at the Women's Club, located at 240 W. Pinkley Ave. A Pre-sale for licensed child care workers, teachers, Head Start teachers, and Friends of the Library is Thursday, November 21st from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Must Show ID). There will be a variety of items available including adult and children's books, audiobooks, and 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.

Something for Everyone

Sharpen Chess Skills with Knights of the Square Table Chess Club

November 6th @ 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.

Enroll in Medicare for 2020

**November 6th and December 2nd
10:00 to 3:00**

Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens is available to assist Medicare recipients with Medicare open enrollment in the Library. Medicare Annual Open Enrollment is just around the corner - October 15 - December 7th. During this time, people with Medicare can make unrestricted changes to their coverage options. You can make as many changes as you need, and the last change you make on or before December 7th will take effect on January 1, 2020. The Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens (PGCSC), is part of the Arizona State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP). SHIP Counselors are not insurance agents, they do not sell, recommend, or endorse any particular insurance product or company. The SHIP provides FREE objective information and assistance. For plan comparisons and enrollment, please bring a list of your prescriptions and Medicare ID card. Eligibility screening, and application assistance for "Extra Help" with out-of-pocket costs also provided.

Explore and Create STEAM for All Ages November 1st @ 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 invited 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 program. To schedule a reservation for the 3D printer please email coolidgepubliclibrary@pinal.gov. You will receive a confirmation email upon approval. Space for the 3D Printer is limited. Visit www.tinkercad.com to select a printer design that works with the printer.

Pour Some Positivity Into Your Parenting

**Thursdays starting November
7th to December 12th @ 10:30**

Learn the tools of positive discipline through Positive Parenting and the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension. The Positive Parenting uses Dr. Jane Nelson, EdD's positive approach to discipline and guidance. Do you want to help your children develop self-discipline, responsibility, cooperation, and problem-solving skills? Take a 'Positive' approach. The Positive Parenting five week program focuses on using kindness, firmness, dignity, and respect. After this workshop you will be empowered with skills to reduce problematic behaviors while strengthening your child's life skills. Seating and child care is limited, registration is highly encouraged. To register for this or any event, call 520-723-6030 or email library@coolidgeaz.com.

TRY A NEW CRAFT DURING STITCH-U-ATION November 22nd @ 2:00

Members enjoy helping one another with needlework projects including knitting, crochet, needlepoint, and classic sewing, along with great conversation and encouragement at Stitch-U-Ation. Thanks to the wonder of YouTube, members of Stitch-U-Ation can 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.

DINE WHILE YOU DESIGN AT THE LIBRARY

November 8th & 22nd @ 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. 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.

Curl Up with Winter Reading

December 2nd

It's important to keep your children reading, especially during school breaks. Kids ages 0-12, teens, and adults are invited to participate in the Winter Reading Program. Come in to the Library and pick up an activity board starting December 2nd. Activities included are a combination of reading and fun activities that include the whole family. Parents or legal guardians sign off on each completed activity. Turn in the completed board by Monday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m. to receive your prize. Teens and adults can also stop by for a bingo board of their own. There is no limit to the number of boards that can be completed, but there is a limited number of prizes. Please call the library at (520) 723-6030 with questions.

Join the Writer's Workshop

November 13th @ 3:00

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

Prepare for Adventure during Chaos & Coffee

Saturday, November 9th @ 9:00 Ages 10 +

Shhhh...do you feel that? There's a change in the air, shifting energies, you felt it. We all have. Now come join us at the Fortress of Knowledge, books, and imagination. We are seeking Adventurers, those who are tired of the sick and mundane routine of the everyday world. Enter a whimsical world where you make the stories come true, enter Dungeons & Dragons! Dungeons and Dragons is coming to the library the second Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m during Chaos and Coffee. Dungeons & Dragons, or D&D is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game (RPG). D&D is different from traditional wargaming by allowing each player to create their own character to play. Together they solve dilemmas, engage in battles, and gather treasure and knowledge, all while enjoying a hot caffeinated beverage. Meet your Dungeon Master Knox on November 9th. Design your character, bond with your team, and get all your questions answered in preparation for your quest to start in December.

Fun Van is Mixing It Up

Tuesdays @ 9:00 & 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

November 27th @ 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 fourth Wednesday of the month. Don't worry classic Storytime with Miss Dani still takes place every Wednesday at 10:15, only the fourth Wednesday of each month is reserved for Learning Tree Storytime.

Greet the Pony Express

November 16th @ 9:00

Coolidge residents can get a taste of the old west when Pony Express riders arrive on Saturday, November 16th at 9:00 a.m. You can also bring your stamped and addressed mail to the library, and drop it in our Pony Express mail box, prior to the event. All stamped mail will then be delivered with the official Pony Express logo. The public is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Make Sushi in the Library

November 1st @ 11:00

Sushi is a Japanese dish of prepared vinegared rice, usually with some sugar and salt, accompanying a variety of ingredients, such as seafood, vegetables, seaweed, and occasionally tropical fruits. Our wonderful Library Advisory Board member, Coolidge historian and Veteran Ralph Swain is sharing his sushi knowledge with patrons November 1 at 11:00. Sampling is encouraged. Seats are limited, registration is highly recommended.

LET'S COLOR YOUR WORRIES AWAY

November 12th & 26th @ 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.

Build Your English Skills for Free at Speak Easy ESL

Mondays & Thursdays @ 4:30

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 and Thursdays at 4:30. Feel free to join either Monday, Thursday, or both. Contact the Library to register for this free class or call 520-723-6030 for more information.

LEARN TO TECH LIKE A PRO DURING TEA & TECH

First and Third Monday of the month
November 4th & 18th @ 2:00

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. Tea & Techies are learning all about the Pinal County Library District's online catalog in November. 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.

IS IT 'GLOBAL WARMING' OR 'CLIMATE CHANGE'?

November 13th @ 5:00

Is it 'Global Warming' or 'Climate Change'? The Philosophy of Communicating Climate Science is brought to the Library through the Arizona Humanities grant funded program, AZ Speaks. Why do so many people not accept the science of global warming? What are the rhetorical devices most often used to confuse people about the science? What are more effective ways to talk about and communicate what is happening with our climate? Most challenges made are not really about the science, but about previously held behavioral commitments. Learn some surprising theories about best practices for communicating climate science, such as the importance of storytelling. Matthew Goodwin has a Ph.D. in Philosophy. He is currently a Senior Lecturer in the Philosophy Department of Northern Arizona University (NAU) where he specializes in environmental ethics and phenomenology. Matthew was recently a participant in a National Endowment for the Humanities summer seminar on extending Aldo Leopold's "Land Ethic." He is co-founder of Sedona Philosophy, which offers guided hikes and retreats in Sedona and northern Arizona." To learn more visit www.azhumanities.org.

Get the Library STEAM'd Up

Why Not Sugar Code It!

November 5th @ 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

November 22nd @ 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

November 15th @ 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

November 8th @ 4:00

Ages 5-14

This is an exciting program for children ages 5-14 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.



November 19th @ 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, November 25th @ 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!

November 18th @ 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.

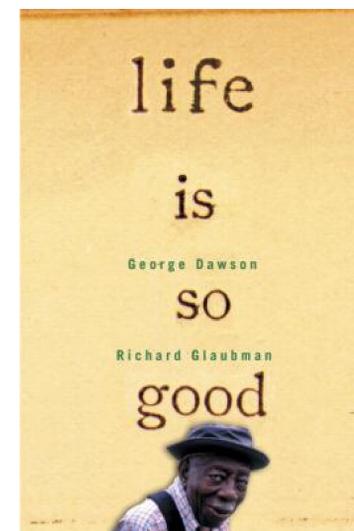
It just depends on the theme. Participants often share a potluck with samples of recipe successes. The important thing is recipes and stories get shared with one another. Read It and Whisk It is open to teens and up. Registration for this club is not required, but is helpful. The food theme for this month is: PBS Chefs. Choose any chef featured on PBS, such as Julia Childs, or even American's Test Kitchen, 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, November 12th @ 5:30 PM

Life is So Good by George Dawson

This remarkable book is written by 103-year-old George Dawson, a slave's grandson who learned to read at age 98. He reflects on his life and offers valuable lessons in living as well as a fresh, firsthand view of America during the twentieth century. Richard Glaubman captures Dawson's irresistible voice and view of the world, offering insights into humanity, history, hardships, and happiness. From segregation and civil rights, to the wars, presidents, and defining moments in history, Dawson's description and assessment of the last century inspires readers with the message that the philosophy of: "Life is so good. I do believe it's getting better" has sustained him.

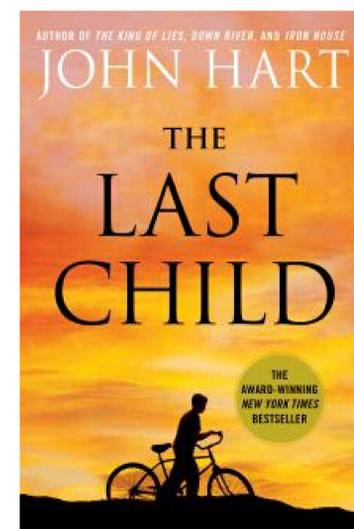


The Remix

The fourth Thursday of each month, November 21st @ 2:00 PM

The Last Child by John Hart

After his twin sister Alyssa disappears, thirteen year-old Johnny Merrimon is determined to find her. When a second girl disappears from his rural North Carolina town, Johnny makes a discovery that sends shock waves through the community in this multi-layered tale of broken families and deadly secrets.



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, for more information.