

BETWEEN THE LINES

Prescott Valley Public Library's Monthly Newsletter



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DIRECTOR'S CUT by Casey Van Haren

September is here. I think this is the first month in many I have felt hopeful. Last week, I presented our yearly report, Spotlight 2019-2020. I knew our stats and the services we provided would show decreased numbers due to us closing for two months and offering limited services. As I was researching, we were either less than a thousand in some areas from last year or we exceeded expectations in others. I was surprised. Our drive-up window, hands down, has been a winner! While we were closed, we could still provide a valuable service for those staying home.

Since we've been open for the last 3 months, patrons have showered us with their thanks and gratitude. We've been hearing stories of how our community has adapted to weather this pandemic. They have been funny, brave, sad and hopeful. These stories have energized staff and brought smiles to our masked faces.

My stories are my family. I'm fortunate that my parents and my aunt and uncle live in Prescott. However, I haven't been able to see my Aunt Sue and Uncle Dan in months. Sue and Dan are devoted volunteers here at the library and we miss them! Aunt Sue had to celebrate her birthday without her family. My parents haven't been able to see their grandkids in months! I am able to go and hang out with them on the porch, in a mask, wanting badly to throw my arms around them.

So, tell us your stories. What have you been missing? What gives you joy? What are you hopeful about? Send your stories to pvplstaff@gmail.com. We want to share them in our next newsletter.



HIGHLIGHTS

Children's

..... Trusted Databases to Check

Gale Databases offers reliable and up-to-date information for research needs for all ages on our Library website: pvlib.net.

Click on "Research" at the top right & then "Databases" at the bottom left and you will be able to access them for free with your library card.

Scroll down to "Kids" and you will see "Gale in Context Elementary"; enter your library card # in the box and you can search book & newspaper articles, videos, pictures, etc. by subject. You can link the items you find so that they are easy to retrieve later and you can highlight and make notes. High School articles are found under "Education & Student Resources" and there are also databases on Biography, Science, US History & World History. Once you use one, it is easy to use the others.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Garrett C and his family are the first to read 1000 Books before Kindergarten in our program of the same name. Sign up your preschool child now.

Young Adult

..... FREE SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH

It's never too early to start thinking about college or a new career. Prescott Valley Public Library has everything you need!

On our website's database page, pvlib.net/databases, you'll find the "Testing and Education Reference Center".

Here you'll get free access to all kinds of college prep resources, including a scholarship search that will list all of the different scholarships you're eligible for based on your biographic info! There are also practice SAT tests, resumé-writing help, and even practice tests for jobs like firefighting, real estate agent, and cosmetology!

You can use this database and so many other from anywhere you can use our website. College can be expensive, but there are lots of groups that want to help, so find out what you qualify for with our help!

Adult



MATERIALS BUNDLE REQUESTS ARE BACK!

Are you looking for something new to read, watch, or listen to? Are you looking for an element of surprise? Then let the Adult Services staff select customized materials for you.

These titles will be placed on hold for you and will be available to pick-up in the library on the Holds shelf or at the Drive-Thru Window. Fill out the short form and you will be contacted when materials are ready for pick-up.

Staff will work through the requests in the order in which they are received. Please bring your library card with you to check these items out. Materials and options are based on what is currently available on our shelves.

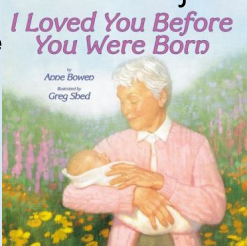
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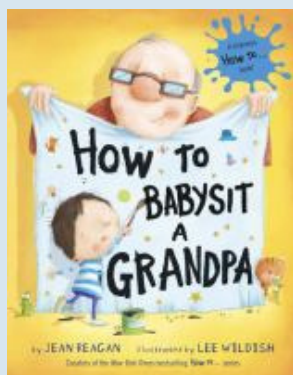
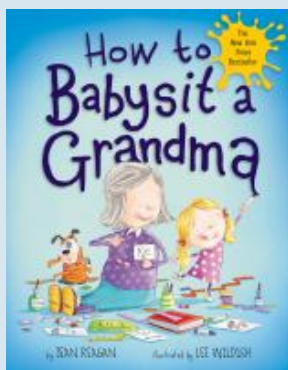
STAFF SUGGESTIONS

Children's

September 13 is Grandparents Day and we have many great stories about grandparents and their grandchildren in our picture book section. Here are just a few: **I Loved You Before You Were Born** by Anne Bowen is about a grandmother telling all the things she thought about before her grandchild was born.



Jean Reagan has written several books about grandparents and two are **How to Babysit a Grandma** and **How to Babysit a Grandpa**.



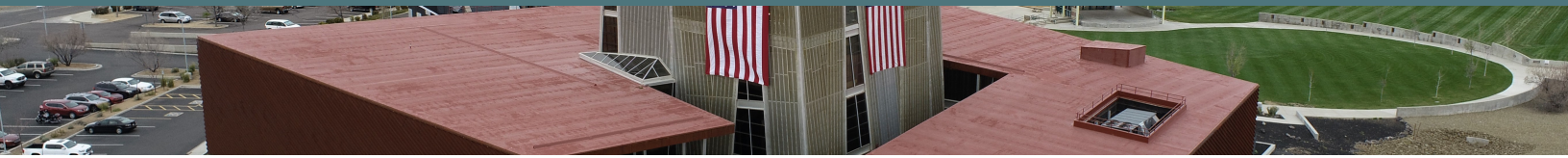
Young Adult

A Tiny Book of Tiny Stories V 1-3

by Joseph Gordon-Levitt

These tiny books are a fun collection of super-short stories from different writers with cute illustrations. Some stories are a few sentences, some are only a few words long, but do not be fooled! Though these books are tiny, they are not necessarily for tiny people.





STAFF SUGGESTIONS

Adults

Life of Pi by Yann Martel

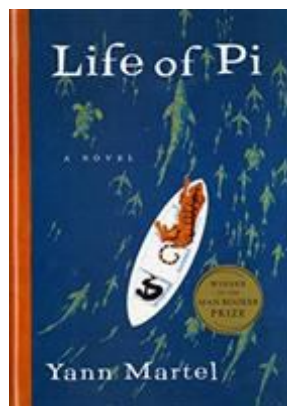
Prescott Valley Public Library will be offering an eight-session class on the 'Life of Pi'.

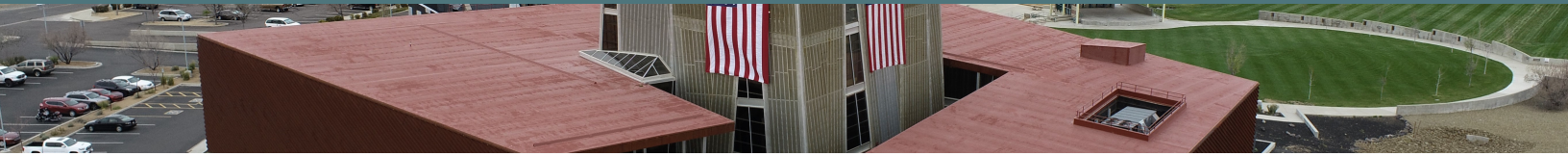
These sessions will be held on Wednesdays, October 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, November 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th, 2020. The virtual presentations will be unlocked at 10:00 am but will be able to be viewed at any point after that time. You will be able to enjoy these sessions from the comfort of your own home.

'Life of Pi' is a wondrous adventure story that builds on the themes of spirituality, truth, nature, and survival. Though he faces great adversity, the novel's narrator, Pi, is determined to survive, following a horrific shipwreck that leaves him stranded on a lifeboat with a tiger. You will be guided to question the events of the novel and confront the issue of conflicting realities. 'Life of Pi' invites debate regarding the truthfulness of the story and what actual events happen following the shipwreck.

Registration is required and space is limited. Once registered, you will be provided the novel 'Life of Pi' if needed.

Registration will open September 14th, 2020 at pvlib.net/Attend/Classes





SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

Online Chair Yoga

Mondays 10-11am

Tuesdays 10-11am

Wednesdays 10-11am

Thursdays 10-11am

Fridays 10-11am



Online Morning Stretch - Wednesdays 8:30-9:30 am

Online Yoga Nidra - Thursdays 12-1pm

Online Master Gardener Talk: Maximizing the Success of Your Home Garden

September 8th, 4-5pm



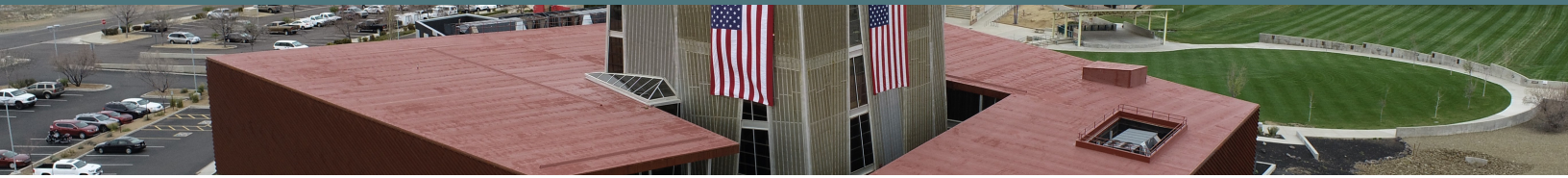
Online "Election Challenges During A Pandemic"

September 30th, 6-8 pm



[Click here to view the library calendar and registration information.](#)

Check out October programs as well.



IN OTHER NEWS...

LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES

Have you ever heard of Little Free Libraries (LFL)? This is a program in which individuals and organizations put little libraries in front of their homes or buildings for anyone to take. The policy is "take a book/leave a book," or, if you don't have a book to leave, "take a book/return the book." Take a look at the [Little Free Library map](#), to see if there's an LFL near you! Below are just a few examples.

Remember: if you visit an LFL at a private residence, please be considerate.



Location: the parking lot of
Central Yavapai
Fire District Station 50,
2780 N. Valley View Dr.



Location: Castle Canyon
neighborhood,
3130 N. Cedar Springs Lane



Location: Busy Bee
Learning Center,
8665E. Florentine Rd.



IN OTHER NEWS...



GRANT FUNDED POSITION COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR

Do you enjoy helping others learn new skills? Are you computer and technology savvy?

Prescott Valley Public Library is seeking an experienced instructor to teach a series of Computer and Technology classes using Zoom platform and Oasis Connections curriculum.

This is a temporary, part-time grant funded position.

If you know of anyone who fits this description, please share this information!

For more information, please email Michele at mhjorting@pvaz.net