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Director's Column

By Denise Keller

Library District Upgrades Online Catalog

The big news from the Library District is the Polaris upgrade on January 30 from Polaris 4.0 to Polaris 4.1. There are some new features which are great for both staff and our patrons.

Staff will like the choice of printing paper check out receipts or sending the patron e-receipts through email or text message. Our environmentally conscious patrons will like having the choice, and our younger patrons will just like having the option of a digital message.

The online catalog has a completely new look. The most noticeable change is the addition of content carousels. We have the ability to choose what we want to highlight in our collections.



Right now, we have a standard “new books” and “new movies” on the display, but this can be changed. Every library can have different displays, on different topics just by creating a record set. This means that a library can choose to have a carousel with children’s Christmas picture books, or summer reading choices, or books about the American Revolution around the 4th of July. Even better, the carou-

sel content can reflect whatever current display you might have in the library. This is a great advertising tool, and I am looking forward to what ideas will pop up in the near future.



The “Google Preview” button is similar to Amazon’s “Look In-

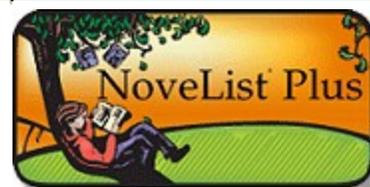
side.” Patrons can see a larger image of the cover, and the first several pages of a book. Hovering over the cover art image in the display gives the patron the ability to share the title on Twitter, Facebook, Pinterest, and several other social media sites. There are some functional changes in the catalog as well. You can now narrow your search results by assigned branch in the sidebar. Below the sidebar you will find a list of recently viewed items.

Alex Conrad is currently setting up the 3M Cloud Library integration with our catalog. When it is complete, patrons will be able to check out and place holds on e-books directly from the catalog. After a patron checks out an e-book, it is listed on the Items Out page of the patron account along with a check-in button. Hold requests on e-books will show on the Requests page of the patron account in the catalog. These are listed regardless of whether the patron used the catalog or a 3M app to check out or place the hold. Last but not least, staff will now be able to see e-Book circulation statistics by library.

I encourage every library to take advantage of these new features, and dream up new ways of using them!



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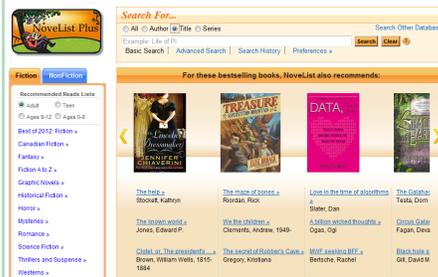


What is NoveList Plus?

NoveList is a fiction and non-fiction database with thousands of titles that you can use to search for books that are like your favorites or are in a similar style to your favorite author. It includes summaries and annotations, the first chapter of some books, Author Read-alikes, Book Discussion Guides, Feature Articles, Award Winners and, Grab-and-Go Book Lists.

NoveList Plus also gives you the ability to create your own personal account so you can:

- Save your preferences
- Organize your research with folders
- Share your folders with others
- Save and retrieve your search history
- Create email alerts and/or RSS feeds



NoveList Plus is free to all Pinal County residents. Go to our online website at <http://bit.ly/pczplib> then click the RESEARCH tab. Look for it in the “Books & Literature” section. Contact your local library to get a free library card.



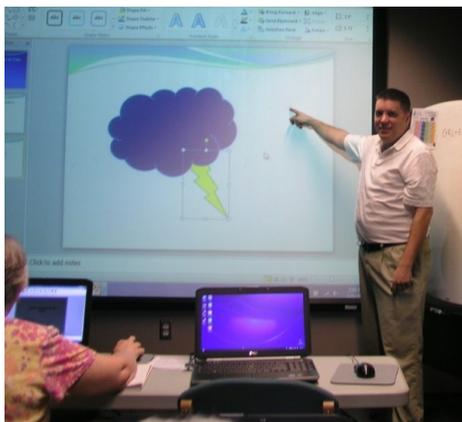
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APACHE JUNCTION

Bridging the Technology Gap

Apache Junction Public Library is bridging the technology gap by presenting programs to user groups and one-on-one trainings.



Our AZJAC instructor, Paul, has been receiving rave reviews about his computer classes ranging from Excel to the iPad.



Computer Assistants John and Sonya are reviewing eBook how to's in preparation for the eBook users group meeting.



Training Center Coordinator, Cheryl, is shown here assisting a library user who is exploring Windows 8.

CASA GRANDE

Staff Changes and Renovation

The Casa Grande Libraries welcome David Brown to his new position at the Vista Branch Library as Youth Services Librarian. David comes to Vista from the JFK Library in Berkeley, California and is excited to be here in the great Southwest. He previously lived on the island of Alameda in the Northern California Bay Area. David began at the Vista Library on February 4.



Also moving into a new position is Deanna Davis, who will be serving as the Interim Adult Services Librarian for both Casa Grande and Vista Grande libraries. Dee Dee was previously on staff at Vista as School Liaison/Library Assistant. She did her MLS at the University of Arizona.



Casa Grande Public Library is progressing towards the renovation of the Main Library, with construction work slated to begin as early as June 2013.

The renovation dramatically changes the building: the main entrance will rotate 90 degrees to face the City Park, the Children's Department moves away from the busy entrance to a sunny corner space of its own, and the public meeting room moves upstairs to a larger space.

Also new for the Library is an expanded computer classroom, and a Café leading to a brand new patio and program space. Other major changes are relocation of the Circulation/Service desk, redesigned Public Internet Computer space, and expanded access and seating for wifi users on the lower level. All existing collections will have a new location and a new look, with

better lines of sight and a more "open" feel to entire building.

Completion of the renovation is expected to take about six months and the Library plans to be open during much of the construction work.

COOLIDGE

Author Visits

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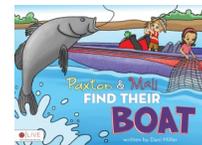
The Coolidge Public Library is happy to announce the visit of two authors, both reading from and discussing their debut books.

Local Children's Author

Dani Miller, of San Tan Valley will be visiting the Coolidge Public Library on Saturday, February 23 at 11 a.m. She will be reading from a children's book that her son inspired her to write.



"Paxton & Mali Find Their Boat" is a story of two kids looking for a boat and how they use their imaginations to unlock endless possibilities. After the reading, Dani will be on hand to answer questions and sign books for anyone wishing to purchase a copy. Children of all ages are welcome. Snacks and drinks provided for those in attendance.



Adult Non-Fiction Writer from northern Arizona

Join us in welcoming debut author Steven D. Wolf on Thursday, March 7 at 4:30 pm.



"Comet's Tale" is a story about friendship between two former winners, both a little down on their luck, who together stage a remarkable comeback. One is Comet, an abused greyhound racing dog ditched by her owner. The other is Steven Wolf, an attorney ditched by the partners in the company he founded.

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When the cinnamon-striped Comet "adopts" Wolf (as everyone calls Steven), Wolf has no idea that a life-altering relationship has begun. Comet doesn't know how to walk on tile floors or climb stairs, or even how to play with toys or children—so Wolf must show the mistrustful greyhound how to live in the real world. Gradually, a confident but mysterious spirit emerges from the stunning animal. And when Wolf's health starts to worsen, the tables turn, and Comet is the one who does the saving. The author's website offers more information about greyhound rescue.

This book is available through the Pinal County Library District's 3M eBook portal and is also available from the Coolidge Public Library.

Coolidge Public Library Receives Grant

The library was recently awarded funding from a State Grants-in-Aid (SGIA) grant project for library improvements. This grant allows the library to cover the cost of new flooring throughout the building, for a total cost of \$12,500. This project was funded in part with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records under the State Grants-in-Aid Program.

ONGOING EVENTS AT THE COOLIDGE LIBRARY

Wednesday mornings at 10:15. Kids and caregivers sit and listen to stories and sing-along songs. After the reading and singing, everyone has a chance to make a craft related to the theme.



The stories and crafts are designed for kids aged 1-4, but kids of all ages take part and enjoy the fun-filled activities.

Fun Van Continues Through March

The fun van's current scheduled visits are on Mondays 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

T CPLC **Teen Library Committee**
The library now has a teen group which meets every month. The Coolidge Public Library's Teen Library Committee comes together for book discussions, volunteer opportunities and to allow junior high and high school students a chance to meet new people and make a difference in their communities. Meetings take place at 4 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month. Next meeting: Thursday, February 28th at 4:00 p.m. Snacks and drinks provided for all who attend.

Book Club

Meetings take place at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month. Snacks and drinks are provided.

FLORENCE

Lots of Activities at the Library

Tom Mix Discussion

The Friends of the Florence Community Library sponsored a discussion about movie cowboy Tom Mix. H. Christine Reid, researcher and writer for the Pinal County Historical Society Museum, discussed Mix's life and death, with particular focus on his connection to the Town of Florence. A crowd of fifty patrons enthusiastically greeted her presentation, with many of those in attendance calling for more programs about Arizona and western history.

Resume Writing and Interview Assistance

On the second Tuesday of both January and February, the Florence Community Library hosted former Intel professional Barbara Plante, who worked one-on-one with patrons. Plante provided patrons with tips and advice to assist them in crafting strong resumes and to help them avoid common interview pitfalls. She will be returning to the library on Tuesday, March 12, following up with those she has already assisted and providing help to more patrons.

Florence Community Library Coffee Club February 5, 2013

In February, the Florence Community Library began hosting a monthly coffee club. For this first meeting, guest speaker Elizabeth Kizer shared ideas about healthy eating with the group, who enjoyed coffee, tea, snacks, and conversation. The next coffee club date will be Tuesday, March 5, at 9:30 am.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE FLORENCE LIBRARY

Western History Writer Jane Eppinga February 22, 2012

Jane Eppinga, author of "Around Tombstone: Ghost Towns and Gunfights" and "Arizona Sheriffs: Badges and Bad Me," will visit the Florence Community Library on Friday, February 22 at 5:30 pm. She will discuss her books and share colorful stories from Arizona's history. Some of her western history books will be available for purchase, with a portion of the proceeds going to the Friends of the Florence Community Library.

Dr. Seuss' Birthday March 2, 2013

The Florence Community Library invites children of all ages and their caregivers to join Ms. Rita on Saturday, March 2, at 1:00 pm. She will read a Dr. Seuss story on the patio (weather permitting). There will be lots of good stories, a raffle, games, and cookie decorating. Party bags and refreshments will be available. Oh, the fun we'll have!

Riding with the Duke: John Wayne in Arizona March 18, 2013

Speaker Gregory McNamee will deliver his presentation, "Riding with the Duke: John Wayne in Arizona." McNamee, who has written about film and western history alike for publications such as the Encyclopedia Britannica and The Hollywood Reporter, will look at The Duke's long career in Arizona, exploring the connection between the iconic actor and the Grand Canyon State. This program is made possible by the Arizona Humanities Council, and is sponsored by the Friends of the Florence Community Library.

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John Wayne Film Series

As a tie-in with McNamee's presentation, the Florence Community Library will show John Wayne movies throughout the month of March. A movie will be shown in the library programming room every Thursday at 5:30pm. Popcorn will be served, and patrons are encouraged to bring along their own food and drink as well. Contact the library at (520) 868 – 8311 for title information or other questions.

Spring Crafts March 20, 2013

On Wednesday, March 20, Ms. Rita will host "Spring Crafts" in the library programming room. Children of all ages and their caregivers are invited to exercise their creativity. A crafty good time will be had by all!

MAMMOTH Pushing the Limits

The Mammoth Public Library is excited and proud to be one of twenty libraries in the U.S. that are piloting a new program called *Pushing the Limits*. Pushing the Limits is a reading, viewing and discussion program for adults in communities served by rural libraries, made possible by a grant from the National Science Foundation. Mammoth Library has pushed the limits even further by adding hands-on workshops and field trips to the schedule.

The programs are organized around four themes: Connection, Nature, Knowledge, and Survival. During February and March we'll be exploring these themes through popular literature, short films created especially for Pushing the Limits, a field trip to Biosphere 2 and a workshop to create our own mini-biospheres, a bird walk, a mining Mars workshop, and a workshop



Pushing the Limits at the Biosphere

exploration of primate skulls. Dr. Linda Leigh is our science guide. Our guest presenters include geologist Bob Scarborough, anthropologist Maren Wilson, and naturalist Celeste Andresen.

Our theme for spring break is The Magic of Spring! We'll welcome back Craig Davis and his amazing magic show on Thursday, March 14 at 2:00.

These programs are all free, but pre-registration is required for the Pushing the Limits events. Please visit our site: library.townofmammoth.us or give us a call at 520-487-2026 for more information or to register.

Mammoth Public Library is located at 125 Clark St. in Mammoth, Arizona. Our phone number is 520-487-2026.

ORACLE 110th Anniversary

The Oracle Public Library is very excited about celebrating their 110th anniversary. The Library started as a reading room, in the Stewart Home, in 1903 and has progressed since then to a very active library. We are hoping to have our new improvements done by June, then have an "OPEN HOUSE" to celebrate our 110 year anniversary with the community.



The glass bottles, pictured above, were done by Mr. Evans, a resident of Oracle. All of the bottles have a replica of a building that is part of the Oracle community. The display is quite beautiful and is more so in person than in a picture. Some people who appreciate this artwork, have said that the jars take their breath away.

SAN MANUEL

Mural Restored at the Library

A piece of San Manuel's history has been refurbished thanks to Ms. Ronning and her Advanced Art Class members.



In the early 1990's a local resident, Wally Vogel, painted a silhouette of the Magma/BHP smelter and plant site on the front wall of the San Manuel Library. Of course that silhouette can no longer be seen in reality as the site has been cleared. Thanks to Mr. Vogel's talent, memories of this important part of our town's heritage are there to be seen for now and the future.

The silhouette was painted in black but after 15 plus years, the desert sun had done a good job of fading the paint. The Library Board was very concerned that the fading would lead to the eventual loss of this historical gem. They contacted Ms. Ronning of the San Manuel High School Art Department and she and three of her advanced students brought the art work back to its original freshness. The refurbishing was done freehanded by the talented students and their teacher. Ms. Ronning has been the San Manuel High School art teacher for 3 years.



The students that participated in this service project were Kimberlee Ostrander, Iris Hill, and Wyatt Fessenden. The Library Board and Staff want to thank this group for preserving part of San Manuel's past. If you have not noticed this artwork before, drive on by the library and stop and look at the lovely refurbishing job.

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LIBRARY DISTRICT Readers choose your format

Every week new titles are added to the New York Times Bestsellers list. In Pinal County we do our best to make sure those titles are available to you in as many formats as possible.

Here are a few titles from 2013 that are available in eBook format, as well as the usual formats of Print and Audio Books.

Gone Girl by Flynn, Gillian

When a woman goes missing on her fifth wedding anniversary, her diary reveals hidden turmoil in her marriage, while her husband, desperate to clear himself of suspicion, realizes that something more disturbing than murder may have occurred.

Ever after By Harrison, Kim

When the "ever after," the demonic realm

that parallels the human world, starts shrinking, witch-turned-day walking-demon Rachel Morgan, who caused the rip in the first place, must fix her mistake and prevent an apocalypse before it's too late.

The Twelve Tribes of Hattie by Mathis, Ayana

Mathis tells the story of the children of the Great Migration through the trials of one unforgettable family. Hattie Shepherd is only 17 when she leaves Georgia for Philadelphia, where she raises nine children.

The Racketeer by Grisham, John

When a federal judge and his secretary fail to appear for a scheduled trial and panicked clerks call for an FBI investigation, a harrowing murder case ensues and culminates in the imprisonment of a lawyer who imparts the story of who killed the judge and why.

Tenth of December by Saunders, George
A collection of stories includes "Home," a wryly whimsical account of a soldier's return from war; "Victory Lap," a tale about an inventive abduction attempt; and the title story, in which a suicidal cancer patient saves the life of a young misfit.

Until the end of time by Steel, Danielle
A couple destined to be together forever meet an untimely demise and wind up reincarnated as a hardened New York City publisher and a shy Amish woman writer, both of whom feel an uncanny attraction to each other.

All of these are titles are available through your local public library

For information on eBooks go to:

<http://bit.ly/pcazlib>

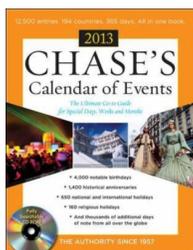


Cataloging Corner

by Eileen Jaffe

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: SERIALS

We have looked at the 300 field in the past for books, sound recordings, video recordings, and games. This time we will look at that tag for serials.



Serials are seriously different from all other formats. Serials can be found in many physical formats, from books to videos to online resources. The main thing to remember

is that they are on-going, sometimes for over one hundred years.

Since the 300 field usually shows the number of pages or discs, this is impossible when the number of volumes in a serial is unknown. For that reason, you will see a simple "v." or "volumes" with no number attached. In our AACR2 records (Anglo American Cataloging Rules 2nd ed.) we see the abbreviation; however, with the

new rules about to become the cataloging standard at the end of March, RDA (Resource Description and Access), the whole word will appear in the tag:

300 \$a v.
300 \$a volumes

There is a space left in the front to add the number of volumes if either the serial ceases or is complete, or if there is a major name change which causes that record to be ended and a new one begun. If that occurs, then we add the number to the subfield a:

300 \$a 6 v.
300 \$a 50 volumes

Subfield b contains the physical details; such as, illustrations, etc.

300 \$a v. :\$b ill.
300 \$a volumes :\$b illustrations

Subfield c contains the dimensions:

300 \$a v. :\$b ill. ;\$c 25 cm.

300 \$a volumes :\$b illustrations ;\$c 25 cm

The above examples are for print books or periodicals, but serials can occur in any format. The most usual other format is online, which will look a bit different since there will not be any dimensions.

If you are interested in seeing all the information about these fields, or any other MARC field, you can go to either of these two web addresses:

- <http://lcweb.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/ecbdhome.html>
- <http://www.oclc.org/bibformats/en>

Don't forget, I will be happy to answer any questions or help with any problem records.

Remember, the MARC record is the engine that gives staff and patrons the tools needed to search the catalog.

Happy cataloging!

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Calendar of Events

Computers in Libraries
Annual Conference

Washington D.C.

April 8-10

Federation Meeting

Apache Junction Public Library

April 19