



PINAL COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

2009 Issue 1

January - March 2009



Director's Column

by Denise Keller

There have been a lot of activities at the Library District in January. Even though we are busy we all have an eye on national events, especially the economy and how it is affecting libraries. In Arizona it seems municipal libraries will be hardest hit by the shrinking economy, as evidenced by recent budget cuts in Phoenix and Mesa. Closer to home, I know that many of you are looking at budget cuts that are causing some real concern. In spite of all the bad news, I am happy to report that the budget for the Library District has been holding steady. Property taxes are not as volatile as sales taxes, so revenue streams have not dropped as drastically as decreases we have seen in other areas.

Contract negotiations with the integrated library system vendor are moving forward. There have been some questions back and forth, but we seem to be moving ahead to an agreement point. When all questions have been resolved to everyone's satisfaction, we will request contract approval from the Board of Supervisors. After the contract is signed, the real work will begin. I am anticipating an implementation schedule of at least 25 weeks, during which we will purchase hardware, install additional T1 lines, load software, and begin the process of data migration. Fortunately, the on-going inventory of collections will help streamline the data migration step.

There has been a delay in plans for

the Santan Library. As we focus in on a final price tag for the project, it has become evident that it will be necessary to secure financing for the project. We will look at all possible sources, but the best estimates so far look like a 10 year loan at 6.5%.

More changes are on the way as we move into 2009. By now, everyone has heard that Pamela Loui, Apache Junction Public Library Director, plans to retire at the end of March. We will all miss her at our Federation meetings. Her 25 years on the job have inspired us all and provided encouragement and leadership through some tough times. I think I can speak for us all when I say we are thankful for the laughter, knowledge and experience she brought. Congratulations to Pam on a success-filled career, and we all wish her the best as she discovers new passions, purpose and fulfillment.



Spotlight



e-books for e-kids™

The **TumbleBook Library** is an online collection of TumbleBooks – animated, talking picture books which teach kids the joy of reading in a format they'll love! TumbleBooks are created by adding animation, sound, music and narration to existing picture books.

Story Books: The TumbleBook Library has a selection of children's favorite story books. Books like "The Diary of a Worm" and old time favorites such as "The Paper Bag Princess," as well as favorite fairy tales such as "Jack and the Beanstalk."

Language Learning: This section includes a growing selection of books in Spanish and French. Many are bilingual titles which allow the user to read the book in two languages.

TumbleReadables: Now older students can read our growing collection of children's classics such as "Black Beauty" and "Anne of Green Gables. TumbleReadables is a collection of read-along titles which feature narration, sentence highlighting, and automatic page turning.

TumblePuzzles: Online puzzles featuring a picture from the book.

TumbleGames: A collection of concentration games, spelling games, and 'fill-in-the blanks' games, reinforcing concepts from the book.

To access the **TumbleBook Library**, go to <http://library.co.pinal.az.us> then click on the gray Databases tab for a complete list of our databases. Tumblebooks is free to all Pinal County residents. Contact your local library to get a FREE library card.



Around the County

News from the Libraries

APACHE JUNCTION

Book Clubs, Movies and More at the Library

Catch the Reading Bug: February 2nd – March 28th This is for our school age readers in grades K through 6. Sign up for this fun program which will feature some cool prizes. School reading counts as well!

Play and Learn: March Mondays

The AJ Public Library is pleased to present this educational fun program for parents and caregivers with children aged 1 to 3 years. The five-week Parent/Child Workshop will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., beginning March 2nd and going through March 30, 2009. The program is free of charge, but registration is required.

Adult Book Clubs: The Dying For a Mystery Book Club continues to meet on the third Tuesday of the month.

Book Club Kits are now available at the library. Kits include multiple copies of a book (5-12 copies) along with discussion questions, the author's biography, a book summary and AJPL bookmarks. For more information, view our web page

Cinema Under the Stars in the Family Courtyard: Every Tuesday evening at 5:30 p.m., the hottest newest release on DVD will be shown.

On January 6th author Betty Webb was here to talk about her new series, which begins with *The Anteater of Death: A Zoo Mystery*.

Special Programs

- January 13: Go Green, a healthy life lesson to create a toxin free home
- January 14: Dispelling the Myths of Hospice
- January 15: Crystals and their healing powers
- January 21: Health Care Decisions
- January 28: What is Dementia Anyway?
- February 4: Understanding Grief and Mourning – 10 a.m.
- February 11: Living with Chronic Disease – 10 a.m.
- February 16: Ear Coning, the removal of wax from your ears naturally – 10:30 a.m.
- March 10: Healthy Living, how to care

for your body from the inside out – 10 a.m.

COOLIDGE

Christmas Party Fun

The Coolidge Public Library's Christmas pajama party included hot chocolate and



cookies for all, a rousing "If you are happy and you know it..." with all the kids participating, and a book reading by Santa him-



self. It was a full house and a wonderful sight to see so many parents bringing their young children to the library.

ELOY

Teen Advisory Board

Eloy Public Library's Teen Advisory Board (T.A.B.) brings a teen perspective to achieving goals for the library and in the process the teens achieve something for themselves. The teens meet weekly to plan programs and fundraisers, and help staff with book suggestions for the library. As the Young Adult department expands with new books, magazines and CD's, the board will continue to help with the selection process. The Library is happy to have T.A.B.'s input as they refit their Young Adult department.

The Teen Advisory Board has had outstanding participation and, as T.A.B. progresses with the tremendous growth of the Young adult section, the library teen coordinator has started a full schedule for

T.A.B. members.

T.A.B. meets every Monday at the Eloy Public library from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Updates for T.A.B. will be posted on the City of Eloy's webpage as a convenience for parents and T.A.B members.

T.A.B. will be hosting a HALO videogame tournament in February. The tournament will consist of four teams with four players per team. Prizes will be awarded for first and second place.

FLORENCE

Lots to do at the Library

Upcoming Events at the Florence Community Library

- | | |
|---------|--|
| Feb. 4 | Family Story time 10 am |
| Feb. 4 | Book Club meets at 6 p.m. to discuss <i>Lost on Plant China</i> by Maarten J. Troost. |
| Feb. 5 | "Introduction to Computers" at 6 pm |
| Feb. 9 | 12 th Annual Bookmark Contest begins. This year's theme is "Worlds Connect at Your Library." The awards reception will be held during National Library Week, April 12-18. Entries are due Feb. 27, 2009. Pick up your entry form at the Circulation Desk. |
| Feb. 11 | Valentine Party for Story Time at 10 a.m. and Valentine crafts with Ms. Rita at 1 pm |
| Feb. 12 | "Introduction to Computers" at 6 pm |
| Feb. 18 | Family Story time 10 am |
| Feb. 25 | Family Story time 10 am |
| March 2 | It's "Read Across America Day" in honor of Dr. Seuss' Birthday. Celebrate and meet the Cat in |

(Continued on page 3)



Around the County

News from the Libraries

the Hat at the library with a special story, music and a snack. The fun starts at 6 pm!

Florence Community Library Hosts Story Time for Special Ed Students

Florence High School special education students meet at the library weekly for story time with Youth Librarian Ritz Marquez. Six students along with their aides come every Wednesday to hear a story, see it acted out on a flannel board or dance and sing.

“I love it,” says Marquez, who used to work in a special education kindergarten class. “We get good responses from the students. They love coming to the library.”

All are students in Florence High School teacher Lynn Araujo’s special education class. Three years ago Araujo approached Marquez about offering a special story time for the class. Some students are able to communicate, but others simply make sounds to participate in the fun.

Marquez usually follows a seasonal theme for their story time. Now she is using a winter theme, and one recent program fell on Squirrel Appreciation Day.

We may be somewhat unique within Pinal County because our library is associated with Florence High School,” she says, “but it’s a program anyone can do in any library. It’s amazing to see how these students evolve over time. They have good hearts and great smiles.”

Florence Genealogy Program Big Hit with Patrons

Florence Community Library just completed its second “Find Your Ancestors” class that was filled to capacity. Linda Craft, Adult Services Librarian, says the key to a successful class is finding a good instructor, locating the right audience and promoting the class strategically.

“Our instructor was Dixie Sandy, a winter visitor who taught a basic class at the library last year,” Craft says. “She’s been working with genealogy a long time, and she’s an excellent teacher.”

Last year Sandy taught a basic class on how

to gather information for the forms some genealogy societies require before they assist with a search. This year, Sandy focused on free websites to locate civil war records and town records that can be found on the Internet, as well as the Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest databases available at the library.

Ideally, Sandy likes to limit her class to eight students, but she stretched the limit to 14 to accommodate everyone interested in the class this year.

“Her classes are so user-friendly that it really isn’t necessary to attend a basic class,” Craft says. “She gives you all of the tools to do a successful search.” Students are asked to bring basic information on a relative and then feel their way through various sites Sandy suggests.

“Good promotion is essential in attracting the right audience,” Craft says. “Contact your local genealogy society. This is a good place to begin looking for your audience. And then look for your audience among older persons. People over 60 are more likely to be interested in their ancestry.”

Craft says this class offers a great return. “People really remember it. It’s a good way for them to spend time productively and leave something valuable behind for their family.”

Florence Offers Computer Class

In February, Florence Community Library will offer “Introduction to Computers” on two consecutive Thursday nights, Feb. 5 and 12. The class will be taught by Library Aide Andrew Owens, who graduated from Florence High School just three years ago. This is the second computer class taught by Owens, a techno-savvy 21 year old who aspires to a career in law enforcement.

Although work in a library might appear to be a divergent path to law enforcement, Owens says it has given him an opportunity to deal positively with the public and hone his communication skills before handling the negative encounters that are inevitable in police work.

Owens’ computer class will cover basic operation of the computer, requirements for using the Internet, Internet safety and such important issues as spam and identity theft.

Last Fall he taught “Introduction to the Internet.”

“My first class drew people who wanted to know how to work a computer, so this time I’m offering a basic operating skills class and adding a section on vocabulary,” he says. After learning the basics, the class will discuss software and operating systems.

“I’m excited about teaching this class,” Owens says. “It’s been an education for me, and it is fun to watch windows open up for people. With a computer, a person can make a friend in Brazil and start talking right away.”

Teaching a computer class keeps Owens on his toes. “It’s difficult because what I taught six months ago many not be applicable now. Last year no one outside of technical circles knew anything about the Lynix system. This year, patrons are calling or e-mailing me and asking how to put it on their computer. When you teach a computer class, you definitely don’t want to be out-smarted by your students.”

If you would like to offer a computer class at your library, Owens will be happy to share his experience with you. Call him at the Florence Community Library, (520) 868-9471 or e-mail him at: Andrew.Owens@pinalcountyaz.gov

MAMMOTH Changes at the Library

There have been a lot of changes at the Mammoth Public Library over the past few months. The collection and library space have been reorganized to facilitate browsing and to create areas for socializing and activities. A new teen room is being created. And there are a couple of new weekly programs.



(Continued on page 4)



The beginning computer class for adults meets every Tuesday afternoon at 1:00. The class began with learning how to manipulate the mouse and has progressed to learning how to upload images and send them as e-mail attachments.

Another new program, Hooks 'n' Books, meets Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Participants gather to knit and crochet,



sharing tips, patterns and ideas. The library has a lot of new books on these and other crafting subjects--great resources for inspiration and problem-solving techniques.

Plans for the spring include talks and workshops on green living, resources for seniors, and local history.

SAN MANUEL

New Programs at the Library

In February the San Manuel Public Library will be hosting a **Book Club**.

- The hostess will be Jacque Kuhn.
- Book title: *The World Without Us* by Alan Weisman

Also, we will starting a **Story Time** in English and Spanish. Time and date not yet set. Story Time will be for children who are not yet ready for kindergarten

Other programs:

- Gaming: Wii and X-box 360 for tournament play.
- Tradition gaming: Board games and puzzles
- Family movie night will begin this spring

Contact the San Manuel Public Library for program details.

SUPERIOR

Remodeling at the Library

Superior Public Library was awarded a

prestigious LSTA grant for a virtual access mini laptop lab. Thanks to a grant from the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records, the library will be able to offer computer training classes to members of the community and will contract with a trainer to teach classes. Total amount of the grant is \$28,191 and will fund a trainer, travel, equipment, supplies and advertising expenses. Pinal County Library District funded the laptops and software.

Free computer classes started in October. The first session runs from October through the end of February. The second session starts in March and runs through the end of July. Classes are held on Monday and Wednesday with one class from 10 am - 12 pm and an evening class from 6 pm - 8 pm on both days. The trainer prepared a curriculum, handouts, etc. and teaches the classes. People who are coming are very satisfied and pleased with the trainer and how she is teaching the class. Classes are geared for people who want to learn the very basics in Windows XP, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher and surfing the Internet and setting up an email account.

We are very fortunate to have received this grant so that we can provide this service to our community. We are also very fortunate to have the help and support of Pinal County Library District plus support from the Pinal County IT department.

We have been busy cleaning out our downstairs area. We now have a Young Adult



"Teen Area" downstairs. It still has to be shared with Juvenile fiction and nonfiction and computers but tables and chairs have been added for teens to sit and do homework or bring in their laptops to use with our wireless internet access.

We moved our children's easy books section into our meeting and activity room. Half of the room is set up for children and the other half we have set up for meetings,

computer classes and activities for kids, etc.



With the help of our Fire Marshall we have also set up a gaming area. One of the wall in the meeting room has been painted white and will be used as a screen. We will be mounting our projector from the ceiling so that the video games will project onto the wall. This is bigger than a big screen TV. Kids are excited and are looking forward to playing online video game tournaments with other libraries. Now we will have to learn how to play Video games! I personally am looking forward to getting the Wii Fit and doing some of the exercises...maybe invite some of our senior citizens to participate too!

In March we will host a Nutrition and Exercise presentation by locals Fred Padilla and Sue Probert of Balance Fitness. They will talk about various nutrition items and answer questions as well as discuss exercise. No definite date has been set. Contact the Superior Public Library for more information.

Beginning February 2nd Library hours will change. Due to budget cuts the Town of Superior will go to a four day work week. Departments that will be affected are the Library, Public Works and Administration. This is in effort to save money on utilities, etc. and avoid laying off staff. Our new hours will be Monday and Wednesday, 10 am - 7 pm, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 am - 5 pm.



THE BOOKS MOST BORROWED FOR 2008

Each year the *Library Journal* publishes a "Books Most Borrowed" list. I thought you might be interested in taking a look at this year's list - perhaps you've missed a good

(Continued on page 5)



Around the County

News from the Libraries

(Continued from page 4)

read! Borrow any of these books from your local public library:

Fiction

1. The Lucky One. Nicholas Sparks
2. The Brass Verdict. Michael Connelly
3. Heat Lightning. John Sandford
4. A Hot Mahogany: A Stone Barrington Novel. Stuart Woods
5. Divine Justice. David Baldacci
6. Sail. James Patterson & Howard Roughan
7. Cross Country. James Patterson
8. Twilight. Stephenie Meyer
9. Fearless Fourteen: A Stephanie Plum Novel, Janet Evanovich
10. The Gate House. Nelson DeMille
11. The Story of Edgar Sawtelle. David Wroblewski,
12. Bones: An Alex Delaware Novel.

- Jonathan Kellerman,
 13. Smoke Screen. Sandra Brown
 14. Tribute. Nora Roberts, Putnam,

NonFiction

1. Against Medical Advice: A True Story. James Patterson
2. Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World. Vicki Myron with Brett Witter
3. Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission To Promote Peace One School at a Time.
4. The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream. Barack Obama
5. Hot, Flat, and Crowded: Why We Need a Green Revolution—and How It Can Re new America. Thomas L. Friedman, Farrar
6. Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance. Barack Obama

7. When You Are Engulfed in Flames. David Sedaris
8. The Last Lecture. Randy Pausch with Jeffery Zaslow
9. Marley & Me: Life and Love with the World's Worst Dog. John Grogan
10. Outliers: The Story of Success. Malcolm Gladwell
11. Pieces of My Heart: A Life. Robert J. Wagner with Scott Eyman
12. The Snowball: Warren Buffett and the Business of Life. Alice Schroeder
13. Audition: A Memoir. Barbara Walters
14. A Bold Fresh Piece of Humanity. Bill O'Reilly

Library Journal: January 2009



Cataloging Corner

by Eileen Jaffe

TITLE STATEMENT

In this issue we will examine the field that is very familiar to everyone. This is the 245 field in your MARC record.

The 245 field contains the title of a work and a statement about responsibility for the work. This information is set down exactly as it appears on the title page of a book, or on the label of a cassette or compact disc or CD-ROM. Video recordings are quite different, though, since the title should be taken from the actual opening credits on a film. Sometimes we cannot find a title page in a book, and in that case we must look somewhere else for the information that goes in this field. Often we can find this information on the cover of a book, but occasionally the cataloger actually needs to supply a title when none is given. In all cases when a title does not come from what is called the "chief source of information" as set forth in the Anglo-American Cataloging Rules, 2nd edition, revised (AACR2r), we are required to add a note in a 500 field giving the source of the information. This can be:

- 500 \$a Cover title.
- 500 \$a Title from container.
- 500 \$a Cataloger supplied title.

The information in the subfield 'a' of the 245 tag is the main title of a work. Often-times we have more title information that follows the main title. It is sometimes in

smaller letters to let us know it is considered a subtitle. Subtitles go into a subfield 'b' of the 245 tag. This subfield is usually preceded by a colon. Last in the 245 tag is a subfield 'c' which contains statements of responsibility. This can be authors, editors, compilers, illustrators, etc. and is always preceded by a slash. So, for a simple book we might see:

245 \$a My dogs :\$b Oz and Pip / \$c by Eileen Jaffe ; photographs by the author.

When we catalog non-book items, we have to add another subfield to the 245 tag. This is subfield 'h' and it contains a General Material Designation, or, GMD. There is a list in AACR2r of the GMDs we may use. The more familiar ones are:

- Videorecording
- Sound recording
- Electronic resource
- Game
- Kit
- Realia
- Text (large print)

These are all enclosed in brackets. These are an excellent way to let everyone know the format of a resource immediately since they show up in the hit list of the Online Catalog. Of course, the GMD for large print is for a book, but it serves the same purpose as those for non-books. The following are some examples:

245 \$a Pride and prejudice \$h[text (large

print)] /\$c Jane Austen.

245 \$a Pride and prejudice \$h[text (large print)] : \$b a novel /\$c by Jane Austen.

245 \$a Pride and prejudice \$h[sound recording] /\$c Jane Austen.

245 \$a Pride and prejudice \$h [videorecording] /\$c Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer ; directed by Robert Z. Leonard ; produced by Hunt Stromberg ; screenplay by Aldous Huxley and Jane Murfin.

245 \$a Pride and prejudice \$h[electronic resource].

This is as far as I will go with the 245 field in this issue. There is much more to say about it and I will continue with it in the next issue.

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

1) <http://lweb.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/ecbdhome.html>

2) <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!

Pinal County Library District
PO Box 2974
Florence, AZ 85232



Calendar of Events

ALA Mid-Winter Conference	Denver, CO	Jan 23-28
Federation Meeting	Superior, AZ	Jan 29
Summer Reading Workshop	Florence, AZ	April 3
ALA Annual Conference	Chicago, IL	July 9-15