

# Cottonwood Bookmarks - Friends of the Library News



- The November 2 Chili Cookoff was a success and we thank the owner of Burning Tree Cellars for selecting Bookmarks to receive the event's proceeds. The \$1,000 donation will be used to purchase children's books for the library's Youth Services collection.
- Community outreach is an important goal for the library. We are happy to support efforts to achieve it by providing material funding for some of these activities such as Trunk or Treat and the upcoming Christmas Parade library float.
- Libraries provide invaluable services to their communities. No longer do we associate libraries only with checking out books and similar materials. Our library programs such as *Open Mic*, *Star Party*, *Halloween Trivia Night* and *Game Afternoon* are enjoyable and informative activities, while also promoting a sense of camaraderie among Verde Valley residents.
- A note received from an active volunteer was heartening to read because it substantiates what the library is trying to accomplish. Here is an excerpt: *"I have been very impressed with the services provided by the library - we just moved to Cottonwood about a year ago and the library was one of the first places we visited after getting settled. Having the comic book drawing workshop as an activity helped myself, my wife and our daughter to feel welcome very soon after arriving."*



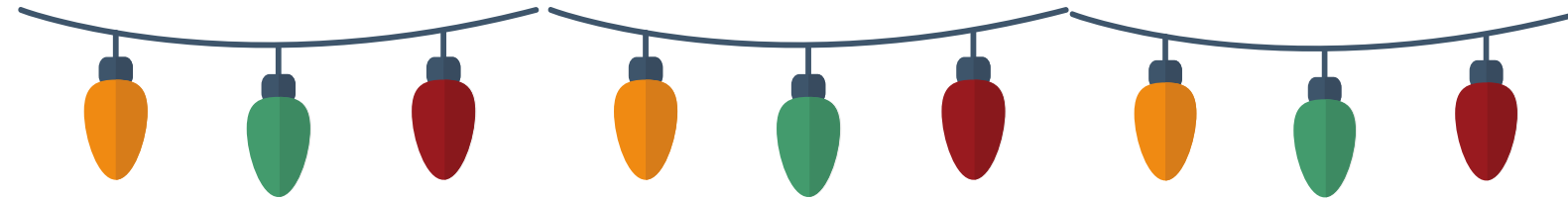
## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



December 2019

## Cottonwood Public Library

100 S. 6th Street, Cottonwood, AZ



### LIBRARY NEWS

Elf on a Shelf

Christmas Parade

Author Storytime

Music in the Stacks

Movie: *Peanut Butter Falcon*

Open Mic: Holiday-themed

Holiday Storytime



Mon. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tues.-Wed. 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Thurs. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Fri. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sat. 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Community Group Gatherings &  
Library Events

Feel free to participate in one of the many groups that meet at the library

MONDAY	<i>Oneness Blessings Meditation, 1st and 3rd Mondays 12:00-1:00 (Room B)</i> <i>Movie Monday, 2nd Monday, 11:00 (Room B)</i>
TUESDAY	<i>Writing for Fun, weekly 9:00-10:30 (Room A)</i> <i>Advanced Creative Writing, weekly 10:45-12:30 (Room A)</i> <i>Poker Fun, weekly 1:00-3:00 (Room A)</i> <i>Tapping with Victoria, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 (Room A)</i>
WEDNESDAY	<i>Yoga, weekly 9:15-11:00 (Room B)</i> <i>Book Discussion, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 10:00-11:30 (Room A)</i> <i>Tech Time, weekly (by appointment)</i> <i>Spanish Group, weekly 2:00-4:00 (Room B)</i> <i>Parents of Addicted Loved Ones, Dec. 11 5:30-7:00 (Room B)</i> <i>All You Need to Know About Hospice, Dec. 18 1:00-2:00 (Room B)</i> <i>VV Birding &amp; Nature, Dec. 18 4:00-6:00 (Room A)</i>
THURSDAY	<i>Goodwill Hiring Event-Fry's, Dec. 12 11:00-2:00 (Room B)</i> <i>Collective Impact Partnerships, Dec. 12 9:00-11:00 (Room B)</i> <i>Hospice Compassus-Life After Loss, 2nd and 4th Thursdays 10:30-12:00 (Room A)</i> <i>A Course in Miracles, weekly 2:00-4:00 (Room A)</i>
FRIDAY	<i>Close Knit Friends, weekly 10:00-12:00 (Room B)</i> <i>Our Smile Club, weekly 1:00-2:30 (Room B)</i> <i>Big Band Echoes, 3rd Fridays 3:30-5:00 (Room B)</i>
SATURDAY	<i>NAZCCA, 1st Saturdays 12:30-1:45 (Room B)</i> <i>Community Awareness, Dec. 14 10:30-11:30 (Room B)</i> <i>NAZCCA, Dec. 21 10:00-1:45 (Lobby)</i> <i>Christ &amp; Baha'u'llah: A Baha'i Perspective, Dec. 14 12:30-1:30 (Room A)</i>

Drop-ins Welcome!

Yavapai Outreach Presents

Help with Housing and More

- housing
- healthcare
- food
- employment assistance

Thursday, Dec. 12  
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., Room B



*Music in the  
Stacks*

Wed.,  
Dec. 4  
5:00 p.m. -  
6:30 p.m.

Join us by the fireplace to hear the  
music stylings of Kris Baldwin,  
Christy Fisher, Gary Simpkin  
and sound mixer Mark Gifford.

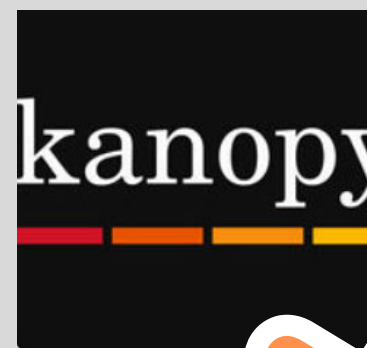
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# Ready, set, stream!



Download the app or visit [kanopy.com](http://kanopy.com) to create your account. Adults can obtain up to ten movies per month! Stream unlimited educational and enriching videos for children of all ages for FREE with your library card!

To help celebrate the 50th anniversary of the premiere of Sesame Street, we are excited to announce that the program is now streaming on Kanopy Kids. Join Elmo, Big Bird, Cookie Monster, and all of your favorite characters in the beloved show that helps kids grow smarter, stronger, and kinder.



Do you need some more in-depth help with your tablet, smartphone or laptop? Need assistance writing a resume or filling out online job applications? Want to learn how to download free ebooks and audiobooks to your device or explore library databases? Book a librarian for a free 30 minute, one-on-one session to get the help you need. We apologize, but we are unable to provide any troubleshooting or maintenance on personal computers. Reservations are required, please call 928-634-7559 to sign up or submit a Tech Time Request Form.

Visit our website for a complete list of digital and online resources!  
<http://www.ctwpl.info/databases.asp>

## Ryan's Corner December 2019

When I discussed ideas about what to write in our December newsletter with library staff, I believe I agreed to write about the holidays and maybe the fantastic annual entry by the library in the Cottonwood Christmas Parade. However, as I write this piece, I realize that I want to focus my remarks in a different direction.

I need to say thank you.

Thank you to the library staff who have adjusted to the transition since the day I assumed this position. The change has been amazing, crazy, too much, and not enough, all at the same time!

Thank you for your dedication to the library, to our community, and to working with each other. I hope you now realize that as long as I am the director here, the only constant will be change.

Thank you to our loyal volunteers who make an extraordinary impact on the success of the library. I tell everyone I see that we don't open the library's doors without our volunteers. I am genuinely amazed by your passion for our library and how you showcase, on a daily basis, what it means to give back to your community. I may not always show it, but you truly inspire me.

Thank you to our patrons for using the library and the programs and services we have to offer. Your energy, inquiries, and curiosity help make our community a more vibrant place to live. You make working in the library a rewarding experience for all of us, as both employees and volunteers.

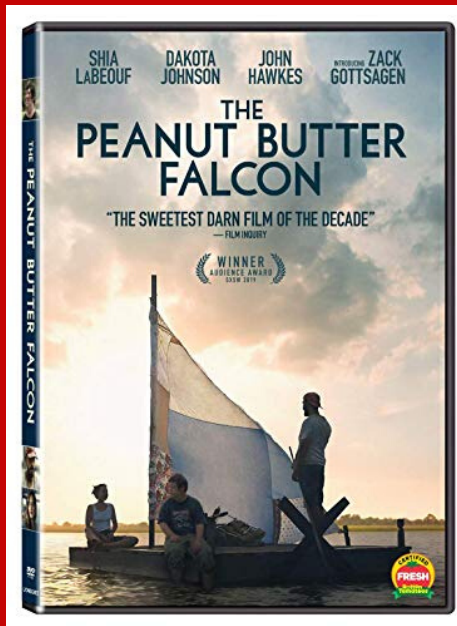
I don't think this is what I was supposed to write, however, it comes from the heart. Thank you to all for making this more than a job.

Sincerely,  
Ryan Bigelow, Library Director



**Monday, Dec. 9 11:00**  
**Meeting Room B**

**MOVIE  
 MONDAY**



A modern day adventure story set in the world of a modern Mark Twain that begins when Zak (22), a young man with Down Syndrome, runs away from the nursing home where he lives to chase his dream of becoming a professional wrestler

**PG-13 | 1h 37 min**

Join us for a **FREE** movie and popcorn every second Monday of the month. The film will start at 11:00 a.m., so arrive a few minutes early to grab some popcorn!

**First and Third Wednesdays**  
**10:00-11:30**

## Book Discussion

**Wed, Dec. 4**

**The Immeasurable World, William Atkins**

**Wed, Dec. 18**

**Circe, Madeline Miller**

**Wed, Jan. 15**

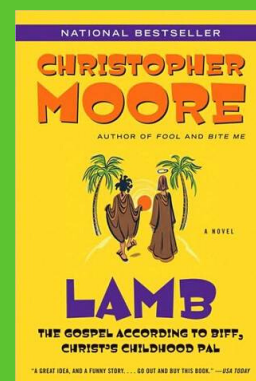
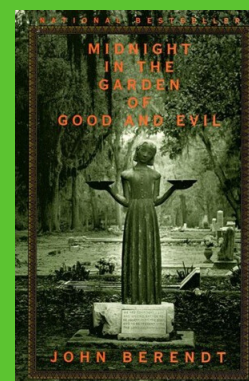
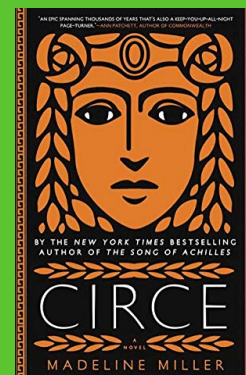
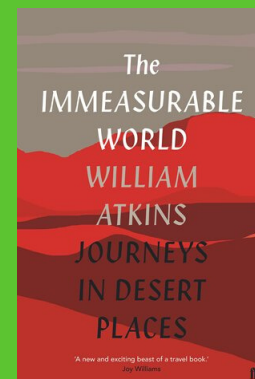
**Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil,**

**John Berendt**

**Wed, Feb. 5**

**Lamb: The Gospel According to Biff, Christ's**

**Childhood Pal, Christopher Moore**



# YOUTH SERVICES

## OPEN MIC!

**Wed., Dec. 11**

**5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

Spread some holiday cheer! Sing, play an instrument, read a poem or book excerpt, tell jokes in a fun and family friendly setting!

Drinks & snacks provided for attendees/performers.



This is your moment to shine! So, start thinking about what talent you can share with us from behind the mic. poetry, songs, stories, comedy, dance, lip sync and instrument playing...all are welcome. If you are too shy to take a turn behind the mic, we need an audience. Just come and enjoy the show! Participants and guests of all ages are welcome!

**Storytime with the Author!**

**Tue., Dec. 3**  
**4:00 - 5:00**

**Corey's Peaceful Heart**



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Join us for an engaging storytime with local author Judy Clerc Henry. Listeners will search with Corey until he discovers what makes his heart smile. This story follows HeartMath's Shift and Shine Technique® for strengthening coping skills and positive feelings in children.

## Holiday Pajama Story Time

**Wed., Dec. 18**

**4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

Join us for stories and songs!  
 Feel free to wear your pajamas.



**We're back!**



**Dec. 2 - 25th**

Find **ONE** of the elves who has been hiding overnight in Youth Services. Bring the elf to the front desk and receive a prize!