



CAMP VERDE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Russ Martin, Town Manager
FROM: Kathy Hellman, Library Director
SUBJECT: Monthly Report March 2021
DATE: 4/12/2021
CC: Department Heads, Town Council

Report from the Library Director: A big THANK YOU to Friends of the Library for donating \$3,500 to help with the library's summer youth programs!

Thursday, March 25, staff met for a workshop with Library Consultant, Jamie LaRue to analyze the results of the Community Assessment work we have been doing since November 2020. We are working to define the needs/gaps in our community that were identified in the assessment interviews which the Library can take an active role in addressing. In the interview process we heard concerns from community leaders regarding Camp Verde's economy, community culture, and environment as well as issues around information access, family support, community health, and social issues. In our discussion with Jamie, we looked at each sub-issue in each category and talked about who is already addressing these issues, how they are being addressed and what the library is or can do to support what is being done. This verbal exercise was an attempt to connect the strengths found in the library to the gaps found in the community. From there we will develop a 3-5 year plan in which to focus our energy and resources.

Another part of this process is the revision of the library's mission statement. Our current Vision & Mission Statement says:

Camp Verde Community Library dedicates its resources to providing library services that are forward-looking while honoring the tradition of a welcoming, hospitable place and the can-do attitude that built the library and the Town of Camp Verde.

Our mission is to make Camp Verde Community Library the preferred destination for community members by delivering outstanding value, an exceptional patron experience and continuous innovation. We achieve this when we listen to our patrons, provide superior service, embrace positive change, and live up to our motto: "good company is always welcome..."

Reworking the mission statement is not an easy task. We are all thinking about it and working to ensure that statement we craft truly reflects the purpose for which the library exists in Camp Verde. So far we have agreed on the following ideas:

- Enrich
- Access
- Respect
- Services
- Connect
- Community
- Learn
- All
- Comfort
- Grow
- Opportunities
- Promote
- Welcoming
- Explore
- Fun

Report from the Teen Library: We demonstrated button-making at a St. Paddy's Day event held at the Science Vortex in Cottonwood. Each child got to color a picture and make a button out of it, learning about the power of levers to help us with tasks. I was excited to be planning a cookout for teens at Rezzonico Park on March 13. This was set to be a promising event with CVMO Marshal Rowley and his wife, Nicole participating. In spite of inclement weather, five teens decided that hamburgers and hotdogs were worth sitting in the cold for and Marshal Rowley talked about making good choices and standing one's ground. Moving forward, we are considering ways to reintroduce teens to the library. Soon our hours will return to what they were before the pandemic, giving more flexible times for after-school programs. YAC and I will be participating in the Earth Day Celebration with the Yavapai-Apache Nation, which will be a hybrid in-person/virtual event. Additionally, with the open-mic program moving to the library on Monday evenings, I will be encouraging teens to participate.

Report from the Circulation: For Book Club members – Prescott Public Library has created a new way to get a Book Club Kit that benefits all YLN Book Clubs. They call it KitKeeper and it allows you to reserve and checkout a kit with multiple copies of the same book for everyone to read and discuss. You can find [a list of KitKeeper book club kits in the online catalog.](#)

Report from the PC Helpdesk: The Affordable Care Act healthcare extended their enrollment period through August 15th, keeping Wendy pretty busy. We have also been busy helping patrons with their personnel electronic devices. Some devices are not working right and other patrons are getting one-on-one help to better understand how to use their devices. As March came to an end, we started to help people book appointments for the Johnson & Johnson Covid-19 vaccine.

Report from the Children's Library: The Children's area saw an increase in family activity this month as the weather got better. The Head Start Take and Make kits continued to grow in popularity. In collaboration with Head Start we offered Music and Movement another successful program bringing in new families. The children and their families that signed up for the Voices and Vote book illustration program continued to pick up new and exciting materials to complete their books. Ms. Janell did a wonderful job keeping track of the distribution of materials and working one-on-one with families to help them complete the book illustration. In March the children's Spanish collection created a display of book titles highlighting recognizable people and stories of the Latino community. We ended the month celebrating National Crayola Day, celebrated annually March 31, with [Pete the Cat: Crayons Rock!](#) by Kimberly & James Dean in which children learn that the best art comes from the heart.

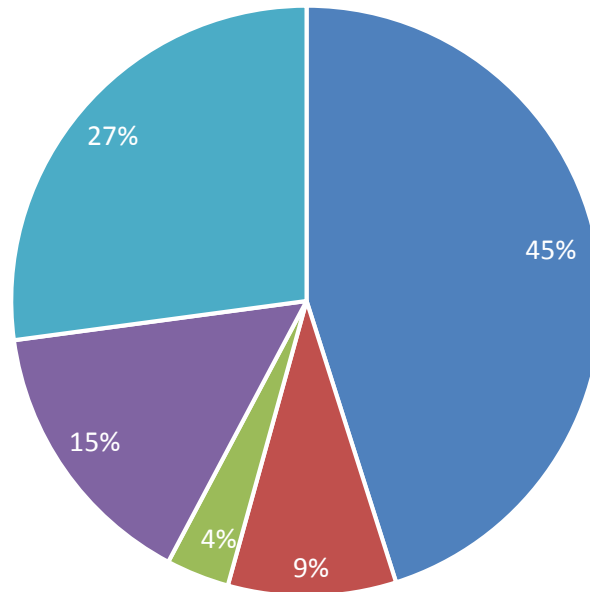
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<https://www.facebook.com/campverdelibrary>

	Mar-21	Jan-20	% change	YTD-FY21	YTD-FY20	% change
In-Library Uses						
Traffic Count	5,371	6,557	-18.1%	41,616	76,499	-45.6%
New Cards Issued	70	60	16.7%	439	579	-24.2%
Computer Use - All Ages	798	872	-8.5%	6,423	10,390	-38.2%
PC Helpdesk Answered Calls	192	n/a		1,180	n/a	
PC Helpdesk Missed Calls	94	n/a		767	n/a	
Requests for Computer Help	95	73	30.1%	690	866	-20.3%
Reference Questions	108	50	116.0%	681	716	-4.9%
Study Room Uses	82	111	-26.1%	461	732	-37.0%
Study Room Use - Hours	162	77	110.4%	981	860	14.1%
Study Room Use - People Served	221	73	202.7%	764	653	17.0%
Total In-Library Use	7,193	7,873	-8.6%	54,002	91,295	-40.8%
Library Programs						
Community Room Uses	14	38	-63.2%	93	345	-73.0%
Community Programs Attendance	57	361	-84.2%	2,459	2,709	-9.2%
Adult Programs	16	11	45.5%	51	181	-71.8%
Adult Program Attendance	145	82	76.8%	658	1,990	-66.9%
Children's Programs	16	22	-27.3%	158	226	-30.1%
Children's Program Attendance	105	128	-18.0%	1,595	1,546	3.2%
Teen Programs	4	4	0.0%	59	112	-47.3%
Teen Program Attendance	25	88	-71.6%	347	1,475	-76.5%
Total Library Program Attendance	332	659	-49.6%	5059	7720	-34.5%
Circulation						
Self-Checkout Use	2,787	1,566	78.0%	24,693	14,109	75.0%
Items Checked Out	3,639	5,025	-27.6%	32,192	45,619	-29.4%
Items Checked In	3,789	4,682	-19.1%	33,087	51,025	-35.2%
Renewed Items	1,503	530	183.6%	13,736	7,422	85.1%
Total Circulation	8,931	10,237	-12.8%	79,015	104,066	-24.1%
Circulation Areas of Interest						
Audio Books	178	6	2866.7%	1,474	1,664	-11.4%
DVDs & Movies	1,517	2,128	-28.7%	13,494	19,377	-30.4%
eBooks	916	750	22.1%	7,483	6,151	21.7%
Laptops & iPads	15	40	-62.5%	162	630	-74.3%
Spanish Material	11	43	-74.4%	71	448	-84.2%
VOX Media Books	30	31	-3.2%	407	390	4.4%
Children's Material	833	920	-9.5%	8,413	9,783	-14.0%
Teen's Material	252	458	-45.0%	3,138	4,381	-28.4%
Transits, HOLDS & InterLibrary Loans						
HOLDS Filled	1,147	1,081	6.1%	10,521	10,303	2.1%
Transit Items Sent & Received	1,827	1,596	14.5%	16,473	16,592	-0.7%
CVCL ILL Items Going Out	15	14	7.1%	110	239	-54.0%
ILL Items for CVCL Patrons	5	3	66.7%	32	38	-15.8%
Total Transit, HOLDS & ILL Activity	2,994	2,694	11.1%	27,136	27,172	-0.1%
Library Volunteers						
Number of Volunteers	16	20	-20.0%	113	223	-49.3%
Number of Hours Given	185	198	-6.6%	1,372	3,710	-63.0%
Average Hours/Volunteer	11.6	9.9	16.8%	12.1	16.6	-27.0%
Collection & Development						
New Kids & Teen Material Added	103	31	232.3%	535	434	23.3%
New Books & Magazines Added	197	239	-17.6%	1,369	1,873	-26.9%
New Audio-Visual Material Added	104	63	65.1%	607	703	-13.7%
Total Items Added	301	302	-0.3%	1976	2576	-23.3%

Mending & Donations

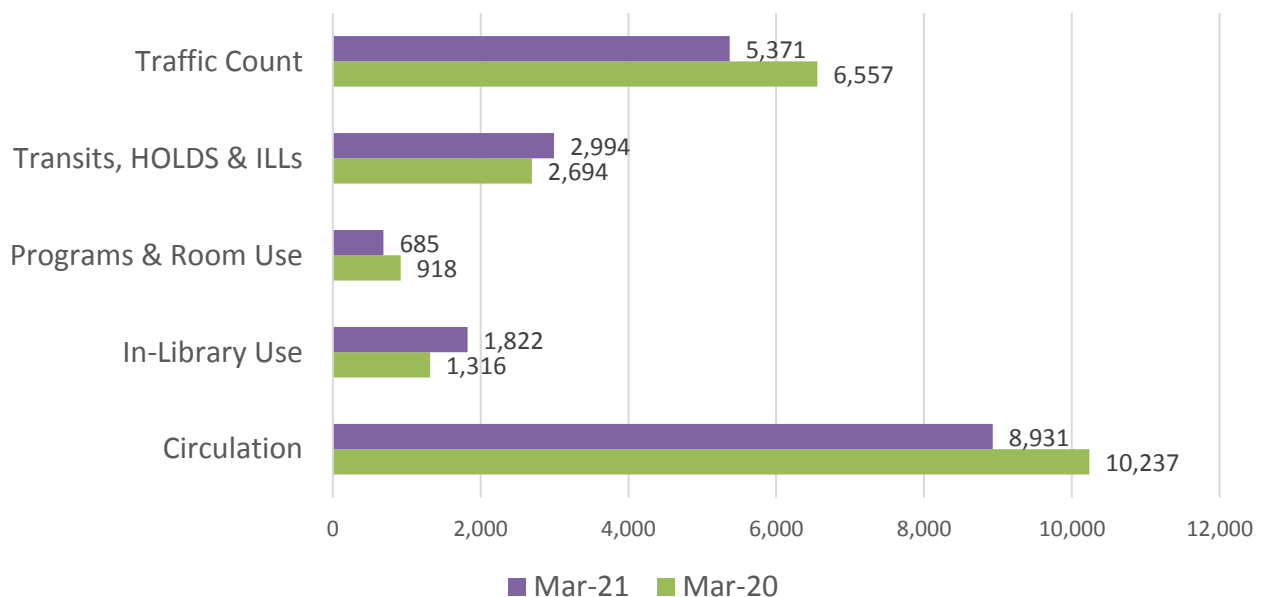
Items Mended or Repaired	112	13	761.5%	928	531	74.8%
Donations Processed	1,902	606	213.9%	7,685	14,365	-46.5%
Donations Cataloged	96	69	39.1%	231	733	-68.5%

Library Use: March 2021



■ Circulation ■ In-Library Use ■ Programs & Room Use ■ Transits, HOLDS & ILLs ■ Traffic Count

Library Use: March 2020 vs. March 2021





This Week @CVCL 03/01/2021

Catholic Charities Community Outreach

Join Catholic Charities Community Outreach Services in the parking lot at the library on **Tuesday, March 2 between 10:00a and 11:30a** to learn about Veteran's Services, Housing Issues, Mental Health Services, and other community resources that are available.

Unlimited Access to NY Times @Your Public Library

Starting Monday, March 1 library patrons can enjoy unlimited access to the NY Times inside the library at <https://NYTimes.com/register>. Access includes:

- International, national and regional up to the minute news
- Mandarin and Spanish Edition
- Access to content dating back to 1851
- Customization options to save and share articles for research
- Full subscriber-level access to NYTimes.com, from 1851 to the present* allows patrons access to:

~ The Learning Network - K-12 education resources and student contests
~ Sign up for Email newsletters, including Book Review and much more
~ Times Machine - interactive digital repro of NYT as it appeared in print from 1851 to 2002
~ Multimedia including closed-captioned and transcribed videos and podcasts
~ Smarter Living and At Home, sections to help patrons live their best lives
~ Download Mobile Apps for phones and tablets and customize news feeds with code access
~ Cross-Platform Save - save your favorite articles and videos on all devices
~ Article recommendations based on topics you most commonly read about
~ the Cooking app is not included, patrons can access recipes via the Food section
~ The Crosswords app is not included, crosswords from the past week, as well as a handful from the archive, are available in the Crosswords section.
~ Patrons can access all historical content via TimesMachine but are limited to 5 PDF article downloads per day.

There will also be thirty (30) 24-hour passes for anyone with a **public** library card to access the NYTimes from home on a first-come, first-served basis throughout the entire network. The 31st person will get a notice that all the passes are being used and will be given a time estimate of when a pass will become available. The link for this option is:

<https://optio.yln.info/login?url=https://ezmyaccount.nytimes.com/corpgrouppass/redir>.

Both options require a person to create an account with the NY Times.

Inside the Library

- Visit <https://NYTimes.com/register> on one of the Library's computers or connect through your own device to the Library's WiFi.
- First-time users will have to register with an email address and create a password.
- Returning users must log in with their email address and password for unlimited access.

Outside the Library

- Please click below to redeem 24 hours of full off-site access to the New York Times.
<https://optio.yln.info/login?url=https://ezmyaccount.nytimes.com/corpgrouppass/redir>
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I have attached more information on this product along with a poster that could be used in your library. We will be

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Scammers are constantly changing their tactics, looking for new ways to steal money. People can protect themselves by knowing what to watch for. The placemats and social media posts provide memorable tips to recognize potential fraud. During tax season it is especially important to know how to recognize scams that come along. Knowing the basic ground rules that the IRS follows can help you avoid many types of scams. Know that the IRS does NOT:

- initiate contact via email, text message, or social media to request your personal or financial information
- demand immediate payment using a specific payment method (especially not prepaid debit cards, gift cards, or wire transfers)
- demand you pay taxes without offering you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount
- threaten you with action from law enforcement
- threaten to revoke your driver's license, your immigration status, or a business license

What to do if you or someone you know might be a victim of fraud or a scam:

1. Contact Camp Verde Marshal's Office by calling 928-554-8300
2. Contact your state attorney general, Mark Brnovich's office at 602-542-5052
3. If the victim is an older person or a person with a disability, contact the Elder Abuse Prevention division of NACOG at 877-521-3500
4. If you or someone you care about is the victim of a fraud, scam, or financial exploitation, you can submit a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission.

Coming Next Week @CVCL

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Special precautions have been taken to ensure everyone's health and safety, including extensive cleaning and sanitizing, arranging the seating to allow for social distancing, and keeping the rear doors open for the duration of the concert. For more information call Carson at 928-554-8391.

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FEDERAL ACA MARKETPLACE RE-OPENS: Special Enrollment Period February 15 to May 15

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See what's happening on our social sites:





This Week @CVCL 03/08/2021

Library Moves to Phase Two of Return to Service Plan

We are happy to announce that the Library is returning to Phase Two of the [Town of Camp Verde Return to Service Plan](#) starting **Monday, March 15. In Phase Two**

- The library is open Mon-Sat 9:00a to 5:00p
 - Volunteers may return as desired
 - Practice physical distancing, continuing to limit the number of people in each area of the library
 - All PCs available for use in the PC area and Teen computer rooms
 - Patrons limit in-library time to 2 hours or less per day
 - No public access to staff offices and workspaces
 - Meeting Rooms available to the public to reserve for limited use
 - Library and community programming resumes in groups appropriate to maintain physical distancing per room size
 - Quiet/Study Rooms available to use to 2 hours/day, with reservations available
 - Book Nook open and volunteers return
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Do You Know a Teen?

If you know a teen or have one in your family, tell them about the library's **Teen Cookout Saturday, March 13 from Noon to 3:00p**. Teen Librarian, Zack Garcia invites teens to join him for an in-person cookout at Rezzonico Family Park. Join Zack! Eat some food! Hang out! Yoyo! Fly a kite! Use a giant bubble wand! Or just, Hang out! Time to get back together and have some fun!

For questions or information call Zack at 928-554-8390.

Money as You Grow Bookshelf Introduces 4 to 10 year-olds to Important Money Concepts

The library is offering the Money as You Grow Bookshelf, free resources to help you and your child discover key money concepts through reading, play, and quiet one-on-one talks. Money as You Grow Bookshelf can help your child build healthy money habits and gain positive attitudes about saving, earning, and spending. Developed by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, the program provides family activities that use 16 age-appropriate books, each with its own free reading guide, to help you explore the information together.

Tips to make reading more fun

Each parent reading guide helps you explore key money concepts and skills with your child by:

- Helping you explain the key ideas in the books
- Suggesting things to think about before reading the books with your child
- Providing questions to talk about with your child
- Suggesting activities that help your child put ideas and lessons into action

By the time you and your child finish reading and discussing each story, your child should be able to understand key money ideas in the book and in real life.

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The Verde Library Group Hosts Virtual Author Talk with Libby Copeland

Camp Verde Community Library is excited to partner with Sedona Public Library and Cottonwood Public Library to present a **Virtual Author Talk with author Libby Copeland on Thursday, March 25 at 1:30p**. Libby will discuss her book, *The Lost Family: How DNA Testing is Upending Who We Are*. To register for this free virtual event, please visit the Camp Verde Community website at cvlibrary.org and follow the event link on the homepage. Seats are limited and registration is required. This is a live-only event and no recordings will be made available.

Libby Copeland is an award-winning journalist who has written for the *Washington Post*, *New York* magazine, the *New York Times*, the *Atlantic*, and many other publications. She specializes in the intersection of science and culture. Copeland was a reporter and editor at the *Post* for eleven years, has been a media fellow and guest lecturer, and has made numerous appearances on television and radio. *The Lost Family* explores the rapidly evolving phenomenon of home DNA testing, its implications for how we think about family and ourselves, and its ramifications for American culture broadly. The *Wall Street Journal* says it's "a fascinating account of lives dramatically affected by genetic sleuthing." The *New York Times* writes, "Before You Spit in That Vial, Read This Book." The *Washington Post* says *The Lost Family* "reads like an Agatha Christie mystery" and "wrestles with some of the biggest questions in life: Who are we? What is family? Are we defined by nature, nurture or both?"

Copies of *The Lost Family*, signed and personalized by Libby Copeland, can be purchased through The Village Bookstore in Pleasantville, NY (Attention: Jennifer Kohn, 914-769-8322). For questions or information call Carson at 928-554-8391.

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Upcoming Closures: the Library will open late @11:00a on Thursday, March 25 due to staff training time

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Check Out Our New Immersive Reality (IR) Children's Books

Do you like Virtual Reality? Did you know you can now read books in a virtual world?

Check out our new IR Books. Immersive Reality books are the first of their kind. Combining cutting-edge VR and AR technology with traditional children's books. IR redefines the learning experience, allowing children to delve into new and exciting topics like never before. Travel back in time to witness the birth of the universe. Dive deep beneath the ocean for a close encounter with a Great White Shark. Fly on a rocket ship to the moon or journey to exotic destinations around the world.

Immersive Reality books are interactive, fun, and educational. IR Books turn curious kids into protagonists of their own adventures, offering a wide range of engaging content to explore in a truly unforgettable way.

What you need:

- The physical book
- The IR Books™ app from the iOS or Google Play Store.
- An Android (i.e. Samsung, Google, etc.) or iOS (Apple) mobile device capable of hosting the minimum system requirements as listed on the IR Books™ app.
- (Recommended) For a 360-degree immersive VR experience, VR goggles are required. At a minimum, we recommend Google Cardboard.

What to do:

- Start reading!
- At three different points in the book, you will come across a QR code which will activate a related VR (Virtual Reality) or AR (Augmented Reality) experience. Download the app. Scroll through the instructions until you come to a SCAN or EXPLORE option. Choose SCAN, then center the QR code in the box. The experience related to this book will automatically download.
- Choose HEADSET if you have VR goggles. Let the experience begin!

[Click here to learn more about IR Books](#)

Download the App in the [Google Play Store](#) or the [Apple App Store](#) depending on your device.

Medicare Information: Tuesday, March 16 9:00a-1:00p

Are you or a loved one enrolling in Medicare this year? Are you thinking about retiring? No matter your situation, Roberta Trovinger, Licensed Sales Agent, can help you get answers to your Medicare questions, like:

- What is Original Medicare and are there other health care options?
- What do Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D mean?
- What are the differences between Medicare and other health coverage plans?
- Is Original Medicare enough health coverage for me?
- Are my prescriptions covered?
- How much will it cost?
- Do I have deadlines to enroll?

Information is also available for anyone currently on AHCCCS or Medicare, or Veterans who would like to learn about additional benefits.

Book Club - Virtual Discussion: Tuesday, March 16 10:00a-11:00a

OverDrive now has unlimited access to many classic book Community Read titles! Unlimited access allows Camp Verde Community Library, Sedona Public Library, and Cottonwood Public Library to host a Book Club Virtual Discussion for Women's History Month! Join us as we read and discuss **Persuasion by Jane Austen**. You can easily get the [ebook](#) or [audiobook](#) on OverDrive!

The group will meet virtually to discuss the first half of the book on Tuesday, March 16 at 10:00a and the second half on Tuesday, March 30 at 10:00a. **Click [HERE](#) to register.**

If you are not able to join our virtual discussion, you can still register for the Book Club and receive questions and materials to help you engage with and explore the book!

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COVID-19 UPDATE: Library to Remove Mask Mandate Beginning Monday, March 29

In line with Governor Ducey's [Executive Order, 2021-06](#) the mask mandate at Camp Verde Community Library is no longer in effect. Along with Arizona's top health official, Dr. Cara Christ, we are encouraging people to make their own decisions about the risk the virus poses to their own health and to take personal responsibility. We would appreciate it if you would wear a mask if you are coughing or sneezing for any reason. We ask that you continue to practice social distancing, proper hygiene such as hand washing, and stay at home when you are sick.

Please continue to do your part in stopping the spread of COVID-19 and other viruses. Camp Verde is a **Safe.Clean.Ready.** community and we will continue to do what we can to ensure that we remain a healthy and vibrant community.

Library Staff and Volunteers will

- continue to clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces and library materials
- put on a mask if you are wearing one when we interact with you outside of the Plexiglas barrier
- practice physical distancing and limit public access to offices and areas behind public desks
- welcome room reservations and the return to in-person programming
- provide Plexiglas barriers and PPE in meeting rooms

If you have any questions or comments about this COVID-19 Update, please call the Library Directory at 928-554-8381.

See the Newest Art Display at the Library

After a 6-week virtual class series on painting with alcohol inks, participants submitted some of their work to the library's art display. Take a look at the pictures hanging on the wall, ceramic tiles, cards, and even an egg on the display shelf. Alcohol ink is known for its vibrant colors and organic images.

You will see items from the instructor, Lynne Kohler, an Arizona artist who discovered alcohol ink painting after the age of 60 and fell in love with the bright colors and irrepressible qualities of the medium. She has focused on the themes of animals, flowers, birds, and nature and has recently begun to do human faces as well. Now a professional artist, [Lynne's Jubilee](#) art sells worldwide on eBay.

Another local artist who contributed many pieces to the show is Becky Russell of Clarkdale. She is drawn to anything to do with texture and color in her art. She has done amazing work in watercolors, landscape quilting, collages, and has now added alcohol ink to her repertoire. Her paintings on tile are especially beautiful.

Finally, several students created abstract images on tile and posterboard which they contributed to the art show. One student painted an egg and a piece of gourd. Be sure to take a few minutes to enjoy all the creative ways our community applied alcohol ink! The show will be up through the end of May 2021.

In-Person Storytime and Children's Programs Return

The Children's Library is inviting kids and families to resume in-person programming beginning Monday, April 5. **Storytime with Dewey will be in Dewey's garden, starting Tuesday, April 13 at 10:00a** instead of posted online. Ms. Letty has some exciting new ideas, activities, and technology to bring to Storytime. We are working on other in-person children's programming as well and will keep you informed as we move forward. Here is what we know so far:

- the children's patio will be open Monday - Saturday 9:30a - 4:30p
- all early literacy computers will be available for use
- iPads and Chromebooks may be checked out for use in the Children's Library
- select toys and games will be available for use
- coloring and craft materials will be available for self-help use

The Children's Library will follow the same cleaning and sanitizing protocols practiced throughout the library. Toys, games, tablets, laptops, etc. will be disinfected between each use. Masks will not be required but we ask that you use one if you are coughing, sniffing, or sneezing for any reason.

A NOTE About InterLibrary Loans

InterLibrary Loans are those items that we acquire for you through a special request because we do not own the item and no other library in Yavapai County owns it. Throughout the pandemic, Camp Verde Community Library has continued to accept requests and process them for our patrons as well as for libraries all over the country requesting our material. However, many libraries in the state and across the U.S. are not lending InterLibrary loans as they were pre-COVID. Some are slowly moving back to normal with these services, but it has affected how efficiently we can fill your InterLibrary Loan requests.

We apologize for the inconvenience but please know that we continue to do all that we can to try to get the materials you want and need. If you have a question about a request you have made, please give Jaye a call at **928-554-8392**.

Did you know you can put in your InterLibrary Loan request online? In fact, we prefer that you do so whenever convenient. [Click HERE](#) for the online fillable request form.

Book Club - Virtual Discussion: Tuesday, March 30 10:00a-11:00a

OverDrive now has unlimited access to many classic book Community Read titles! Unlimited access allows Camp Verde Community Library, Sedona Public Library, and Cottonwood Public Library to host a Book Club Virtual Discussion for Women's History Month! Join us as we read and discuss **Persuasion by Jane Austen**. You can easily get the [ebook](#) or [audiobook](#) on OverDrive!

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Catholic Charities Community Outreach Returns Inside the Library

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Birding 101 Comes to Camp Verde

Northern Arizona Audubon Society (NAAS) presents Birding 101, a backyard birding class and field trip. Start inside the Library's 1st Floor Terracotta Room on **Friday, April 9 at 1:00p** and then meet Saturday morning, April 10 at 8:00a under the Ramada near Moser Lane at Rezzonico Family Park for a bird walk. Never been birding before? Ask at the library's front desk to check out one of the four Birdwatching Backpack Kits to try it out.

Here is your chance to learn to identify the birds in your own backyard from one of the best, Dr. Richard Armstrong. You are in for a treat! Rich Armstrong earned his Ph.D. in Nuclear Inorganic Chemistry from Stanford. He retired from the Army as a Major, spent 20 years working at Texaco, and has been married to Nanette for 34 years. He and his wife have birded together in Texas, Oregon, most of North America, and now in Arizona for 9 years. He is the NAAAS steward of the Sedona Wetlands where he has led many field trips for NAAS.

Friday, attend the class in-person at the Library or virtually via Eventbrite, at <https://cvbirding101.eventbrite.com>. This is a two-part class. Friday afternoon learning inside the library or virtually and then the next morning taking a walk outside to practice what you learned (no virtual meeting on Saturday).

For the outdoor bird walk on Saturday, April 10:

- bring your own water
- wear sturdy shoes
- wear a hat or sun visor for shade
- don't forget the sunscreen

Camp Verde Important Birding Area: The 17 mile stretch of the middle section of the Verde River from Parsons Park just west of I-17 to Rockin' River Ranch State Park provides important habitat for resident and migratory birds. The Verde River is one of Arizona's last remaining perennially flowing river systems, with healthy riparian vegetation, including the extremely rare Fremont Cottonwood-Gooding Willow gallery forest type. It provides a unique habitat that is preferred by bird species of concern, such as Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Southwestern Willow Flycatcher, Common Black Hawk, Bell's Vireo, Yellow Warbler, and Lucy's Warbler.

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