



PINE RIVER LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

October 2026



**October 7:
Delayed Opening
at 10am for Staff
Meeting**



Classic Movie Series with
film expert Dennis Taylor.
Oct.-Dec. are "Not Your
Traditional Christmas Films"

Lady in the Lake (1946)



**Monday,
Oct. 12, 6pm**

Private eye,
Phillip
Marlow, is
hired to find
a missing
wife. Who

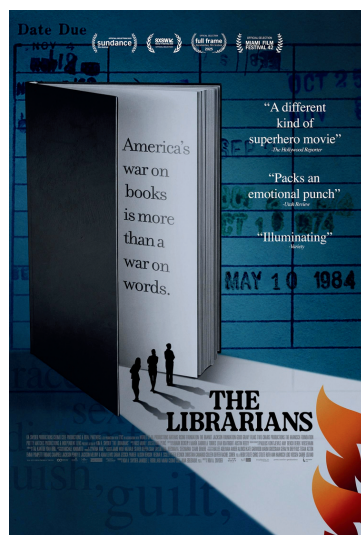
knew the case would soon
turn into murder?

The story is written by famed
crime author Raymond
Chandler, & stars Robert
Montgomery, Audrey Totter
and the only actor from
Durango to be nominated for
an academy award, Tom Tully.

Mad Hatter Tea Party **Tuesday | October 6 | 1pm**

Down the rabbit hole we go...to a party
filled with curious treats, whimsical
activities, games, and plenty of tea party
silliness! Come dressed in your most
delightfully mad hat or make one while
you're here! This program is primarily
geared toward adults.

Children are welcome to attend if accompanied by an adult.



Emmy Winning Documentary: The Librarians

Monday | October 5 | 6pm

In honor of banned books week, join us for
this special screening of *The Librarians*. This
timely documentary directed by Kim A. Snyder
follows librarians as they unite to combat
book banning and defend intellectual
freedom on democracy's frontlines amid
unprecedented censorship in Texas, Florida,
Colorado, and beyond.

Friends of the Library Shed Book Sale!

Saturday | October 3 | 9am-Noon

Come support the Friends of the Pine
River Library! There will be many
wonderful books to choose from so don't
miss this opportunity to pick up some
great reads!



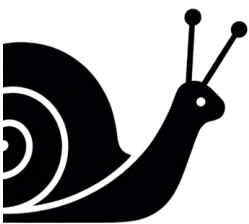
Walk Lightly on the Earth: We Can All Combat Climate Change

Tuesday | October 20 | 1pm

Climate change is such a huge problem that it feels overwhelming. What difference can one person make? This presentation shows doable steps to bring change and create the clean, green, healthy world that we want to pass on to our children. We have solutions and there is no time to wait! Led by Southwest Colorado Sierra Club Chair, Kate Grayson.



Snail Mail Society



Friday | October 9 | 1pm

Looking for analog connection in a digital world? Join us for a meeting of the Snail Mail Society, a library-to-library penpal club! Snail Mail Society allows us to build community and create meaningful connections. This program is free & open to all ages.

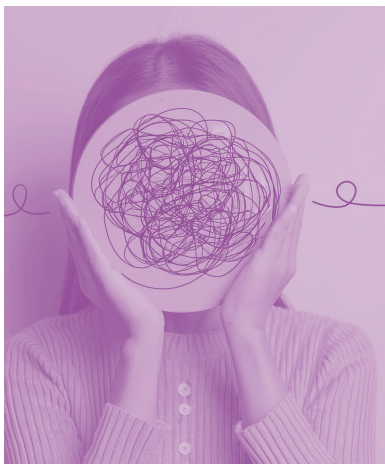
Cozy Craft Night: Reading With My Gnomies

Tuesday | October 13 | 5:30pm

Magical creatures who read? Get crafty with us as we create our own gnomes who love to enjoy a good book! This program is free and open to all ages.



Living Room Conversations: Mental Health, Addiction, and Incarceration



Thursday | October 15 | 6pm

There is growing awareness and concern around the intersection of mental health, addiction, and incarceration. Many incarcerated individuals struggle with untreated mental health conditions or substance use disorders, leading to cycles of incarceration and limited access to effective care. First responders, prisons, and jails are rarely equipped to address the underlying issues, leaving individuals and communities without the support needed to break the cycle. This conversation aims to explore the human side of this issue, including the stigmas surrounding mental health and addiction, the societal emphasis on punishment over rehabilitation, and the potential for alternative approaches. Join us for a conversation as we explore this issue.

Newcomers & Neighbors

Wednesday | October 28 | 6pm

Whether you've lived in Bayfield 120 days or 120 years, we want you to feel welcome in the heart of the Pine River Valley! These quarterly meetups give new and less new neighbors a chance to get to know one another as they share stories over refreshments! This event is co-hosted by Bayfield Heritage Days and Pine River Library.





YOUTH SERVICES

Parents or guardians of children younger than 6th grade must register their children in order for them to attend after school programs. Registration forms are available at www.prlibrary.org/after-school-programs.

KIDS PROGRAMS

Babies/Toddlers

Hopper's Storytime | Thursdays | 11am *new time*

Join us weekly to read books, meet new friends, and make a craft together.

Kids

Afterschool Explorers (Grades 3-5) | Mondays | 4-5pm

Afterschool Jr. Explorers (Grades K-2) | Wednesdays, 4-5pm

Explore new interests, delve into the wonders of learning science, and create artistic masterpieces! Registration is required.

Kids' Gamer Club (Grades 3-5) | Tuesdays | 4-5pm

Come and celebrate all forms of gaming! Board games, console video games, Roblox, Minecraft, and more! Some computers are provided, but gamers can bring their own laptops or gaming devices if they prefer. This program is for grades 3-5. Registration is required.



TEEN PROGRAMS | Grades 6-12



Teen Time | Tuesdays & Wednesdays | 4-5:30pm

Hang out in the teen area for cards, tabletop games, and more! Ease into the after school time at the library with space to play, read, work on homework, and chill. You choose what works for you!



Teen TGIT | Thursdays | 4-5:30pm

Join us every Thursday for games (Xbox, Roblox, etc), activities, music, and snacks! On certain Thursdays, watch for something special: see below for more details!



Teen D&D (ages 13 & up) | Fridays | 12-2pm

Roll for initiative! New members are welcome, and no experience is necessary, but you need to set up a character before you can join our ongoing Dungeons & Dragons campaign. Please reach out to sera@prlibrary.org to schedule that.



Teen VR Extravaganza | Thursday, October 1 | 4pm

Escape the Ordinary with Virtual Reality! Join us for an evening of VR where the pixels become a part of your reality. Enjoy testing your reflexes with different games to play with your friends!

Teen Smash Bros Tournament | Thursday, October 15 | 4pm

KNOCK OUT! Face your friends in Super Smash Bros on our Switch!

Teen All Hallowed Beads | Thursday, October 29 | 4pm

Eat some candy, make some candy while we watch something spooky. It'll be an event to DIE for.

Language Learning!

NEW **clases de inglés | First & Third Thursdays | 2pm**

Aprenda o mejore su inglés con clases practicas sin libros. En cada clase nos enfocamos en situaciones específicas en las que debemos comunicarnos en inglés: citas médicas, impuestos, negocios, y temas legales. Con David Vásquez Hurtado, profesor universitario. Esta clase se realizará el primer y el tercer jueves de cada mes.

Learn or improve your English with practical classes, without books. In each class, we will focus on special situations in which we have to communicate in English, such as medical appointments, taxes, business, and legal matters. With David Vásquez Hurtado, professor at Fort Lewis College.

Easy Spanish Conversation | Second Thursday | 11am

Join us for an hour of conversation at the library the second Thursday of each month. Come meet others in an informal setting who are also learning to express themselves en español. All ages and language levels are welcome! We meet by the fireplace or outside, depending on the weather.

Kaffeeklatsch! | Third Thursday | 10am - not meeting in October!

Come and join us for an hour of German conversation every month. Meet others who have ties to Deutschland, the German language, and want to practice their skills. Bis bald! **Kaffeeklatsch is not meeting in October.**

Advanced Spanish Conversation | Fourth Thursday | 11am

Join us for conversation en español at the library. Come meet others in an informal setting for a lively exchange of ideas and discussions about interesting topics. All ages & language levels welcome. Meet at the fireplace or patio, depending on the weather.

Exercise Classes & Meetups

Full Body Fit Class by Mountaintop Movement | Monday-Thursday | 8:15-9am

Workout using your own body weight or light hand weights to work all the body parts! A yoga mat & light hand weights are helpful. All ages and fitness levels are welcome. These classes are free, but donations are welcome. Weather permitting, classes may be held outside. These classes are hosted by local fitness instructor Tammy Williams.



Pilates with Carly | Thursdays | 9:30-10:20am

Whether you're a Pilates ninja or the mat is uncharted territory, come start at your level, get stronger, and maybe even understand yourself a bit better. The goal is to leave the class feeling taller, more aware, and a little lighter...the soreness will set in later! Please bring a mat & water.

Traditional Chen Taijiquan (Tai Chi Chuan) | Sundays 3pm & Wednesdays 9:15am

Join us to explore the benefits and novelty of Traditional Chen Taijiquan (Tai Chi Chuan), direct from Chen Village, China, delivered through the lens and toolset of today's leading-edge Applied Neuroscience. These classes are free, but donations are always welcome. Twice weekly: Sundays at 3pm and Wednesdays at 9:15am.



NEW

Sculpt Barre Align | Mondays | 9:30am

A 45 minute class rooted in classic ballet barre technique, intentional stretching, and cardio intervals designed to make you burn, strengthen your body and lift up your spirit. Led by Andrea who has trained in Classical Ballet since a young age. She maintains a focus on mindful, restorative movements rooted in alignment, musicality and intentional strength.



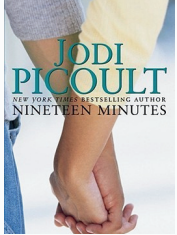
Book Clubs



After Hours Lit

First Tuesday of the Month | October 6 | 5:30-6:30pm

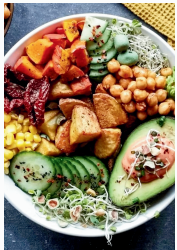
After Hours Lit is a romance book club with a dark side. We'll switch between cozy, feel-good reads & steamy, dark romances. No matter your mood, we'll celebrate swoon, spice, and stories best enjoyed after hours! This month's book is *Anathema* by Keri Lake



BookMarks Book Club

Second Wednesday of the Month | October 14 | 2-3pm

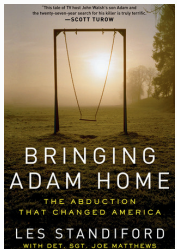
Bookmarks is a relaxed book club open to all adults. We read a variety of genres and always welcome new members. Stop by the front desk today to check out your copy of this month's title: *Nineteen Minutes* by Jodi Picoult



Cookbook Club

Third Wednesday of the Month | October 21 | Noon-1pm

Gather together and share a potluck of recipes! Stop by the library and pick up a copy of this month's cookbook, then call or email Joanna to RSVP and let us know what recipe you'll be making for the potluck (970.884.2222 ext. 517, joanna@prlibrary.org). This month's theme is Good Things (Samin Nesrat).



Killer Reads: A True Crime Book Club

Third Thursday of the Month | October 15 | 6-7pm

Love true crime? So do we. Join Killer Reads, the ultimate book club for fans of real-life mysteries, criminal investigations, and psychological suspense. Stop by the front desk today to check out your copy of *Bringing Adam Home* by Les Standiford. Questions? Email Michaela at michaela@prlibrary.org.

Monthly/Weekly Events

Typeset Writers' Group | Monday, October 5 | 6-8pm

No rules, just writing! Each month, a member of the group will bring an article for discussion. Participants also have the option to bring two pages of their own writing to read aloud, but it's not required. If you'd like to read your own writing, please bring it in manuscript format. Led by writer and life coach Brooke Heller. This month, we'll meet by the fireplace.

Bayfield Acoustic Jam | Thursday, October 8 | 1-3pm

Local musicians of all abilities and instruments (including voice!) are welcome to join us every second Thursday of the month! We share our songs and love of music of all kinds. Please bring your instrument and a few copies of what you want to play and share. We usually go around the circle and each person shares a song with others joining in. Do not be intimidated; we truly are of all ability levels!

What Does a Quality HOA Look Like? | Thursday, October 8 | 6pm

This HOA Homeowner Education event will empower local property owners to learn more about what a quality community association (HOA, POA, etc.) looks like. Topics will include:

- Evaluating an Association's health through governance, financial, and maintenance
- Strengthening community engagement and holding effective meetings
- The definition and purpose of a community association
- Other helpful tools and tricks for the HOA world



Monthly/Weekly Events

Beginning Mahjong Meetup | Fridays, October 9 & 23 | 3:30-5pm

Mahjong is a tile-based table-top game developed in 19th century China. Similar to the Western card game rummy, mahjong is a game of skill, strategy, and luck. It is entertaining to play and, like dominoes, is relatively easy to learn. All are welcome, join us twice monthly to play!

4 Corners Tabletop Night | Fridays, October 9 & 23 | 6-11pm

4 Corners Tabletop Night is a place for tabletop gamers to meet up and get their miniatures to the table. We play a variety of games and welcome players of all skill levels. We strongly encourage joining our Discord Server: 4 Corners Tabletop: (<https://discord.com/invite/eckX7hdJfR>). For more information, email Blake Johnson at blakejohnson@gmail.com or Byron Munda at byronallen175@gmail.com.

Card Making at the Senior Center | Tuesday, October 13 | 10-11am

Join us at the Pine River Senior Center every second Tuesday of the month and create two beautiful handmade cards. 100% free!

Pine River Library Board of Trustees Meeting | Wednesday, October 14 | 5:30pm

Pine River Library monthly board meeting. Agenda and minutes are available on our website at www.prlibrary.org.

Pine River Senior Center Outreach | Friday, October 16 | 11am

Enjoy books and DVDs available for check out, delivered to you at the Senior Center with an extended loan period (4 weeks, rather than the standard 1-3 weeks) each month.

Women's Group | Saturday, October 24 | 1-2:30pm

WG provides a safe space for women to connect, share experiences, mentor and encourage one another. Women help other women to provide emotional support, practical advice, and a sense of community, assisting each other to navigate various challenges and build confidence. This group meets on the 4th Saturday.

Pine River Garden Club: End of Season Potluck! | Monday, October 26 | 6pm

Join the Pine River Garden Club for an end of season potluck! This will be held in the Library Community Room or outside in the garden, depending on the weather.

Friends of the Library Shed Book Sale | Tuesdays | 1-3pm

Weather permitting, stop by the shed in the library parking lot for our weekly popup book sale! There are many wonderful books to choose from!

Upcoming Events to watch out for!

Teen Self Care Fair

Thursday | November 5 | 4pm

Bayfield teens! Come chill out and try different activity stations: crafts, axe throwing, food & more!

Colorado Gives Day: Library Refresh

November 1st through December 8th

Help the library sparkle with fresh upholstery and an updated Community Room by donating to the Friends of the Library Colorado Gives Day Fund. More information and the link for donating will activate on November 1st!



October at Pine River Library

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Orange=Children Green=Adults Blue=Teens Purple=All Ages PINE RIVER LIBRARY * Preregistration required + Outside, weather permitting Pine River Library 395 Bayfield Center Dr. 970.884.2222 www.prlibrary.org						
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