



Mohave County Library

COUNTY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT September 2019

New Library Services Manager in Bullhead City

In June we welcomed Cathy McMahon as our new library services manager for our Bullhead City location. Cathy came to us from Nebraska where she was the youth services manager at the Sump Memorial Library. Cathy replaced Stella Carlzen who retired after 22 years with our Library District.

Donation

We received a donation of \$106,000 from the Friends of the Kingman Library to be used toward the renovation and expansion of the Mohave County Library – Kingman. We are so very thankful for their continued generosity and support.

Technology Highlights

- Upgraded the Golden Valley Community Library to LTE (cellular) data service replacing unreliable DSL.
- Upgraded Bullhead City Branch Library Video Security system to high definition digital video and doubled the number of cameras.
- Completed conversion of all library computers to Windows 10 (both staff and public).
- Replaced 100 computers for public use with newer models.
- Added “Wowbrary” new arrivals newsletter to library website and social media feeds.

Special Programs

The following are but a sample of the special programs that have been offered throughout our library district over the past few months:

- Arizona Game and Fish -Desert Tortoises
- Arizona Game and Fish - Garter Snakes of the Water's Edge: Ecology & Conservation of a Semi-aquatic Snake
- Arizona Game and Fish – The Career of a Wildlife Manager
- Arizona Game and Fish – Predator-Prey Relationships of Arizona
- Kingman Concert Band – Sounds of Broadway
- Arizona Humanities - Arizona Goes to the Moon
- Master Gardeners – Plant Propagation
- Master Gardeners – Desert Gardening
- Kingman High Desert Astronomy Club – An Introduction to Stargazing
- Better Business Bureau – Avoiding Scams

- David Grider - Apollo Program – The Five Ms (The Men, The Machines, The Mammoth, The Mission, The Moon)
- Jim Patterson – Naked Eye Astronomy
- Magician Jolly Roger – Summer Reading Kickoff
- Mohave County Health Department – Smoking Cessation

Early Literacy

The Bullhead City Youth Services department is excited to offer a new early literacy program for two to five year olds. “Little Learners” story time consists of stories, music, movement, and Little Learner kits. The kits feature STEAM and STEM activities for the families. We are having fun with science, technology, engineering, art and math activities that are age appropriate for our littlest learners.

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