

# Mancos Public Library

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"The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library." Albert Einstein



## From the Desk of the Director, Lee Hallberg

It has been another interesting summer to say the least, almost normal in some ways and in other ways fraught with anxiety over the future. While some of you are saddened (I am sure) over summer's coming end, there are others who celebrate the cooler days, bountiful harvests, and rich colors that autumn offers. What the coming years bring is unknown, but we - staff, board and patrons - have adapted well here at MPL. We have followed the rules and kept safe, allowing us to serve with a semblance of whatever "normal" has become. I am grateful to each and every one of you who come in and, without being asked, continue to wear your masks, socially distance, and use the hand sanitizer. Keep up the good work!

We are excited to announce that our annual fundraiser, the Mancos Cowboy Half-Marathon, is set to happen on October 16 here at the library! Thank you to the support of Rocky Mountain Races, the event is set to be a fun and safe time for all. If you are not participating, we still encourage you to come down to the library to enjoy the festivities and cheer on your favorite runner. The loop takes runners out of town down

## What's going on:

**Trivia night** is back and it is LIVE!

**Knitting/Crocheting** in Boyle Part at 5:30 on Tuesdays with Kathy.

**New: Thursday Drop In/Hang Out** at the library for teens from 4-5:30, but so much more. Check out the calendar in Jenni's post.

**Death Café** resumes on the third Thursday of each month, next one 10/21, outside if possible. Otherwise, distanced and masked inside.

**The Art of Lille Diane** on the Art Wall this month.

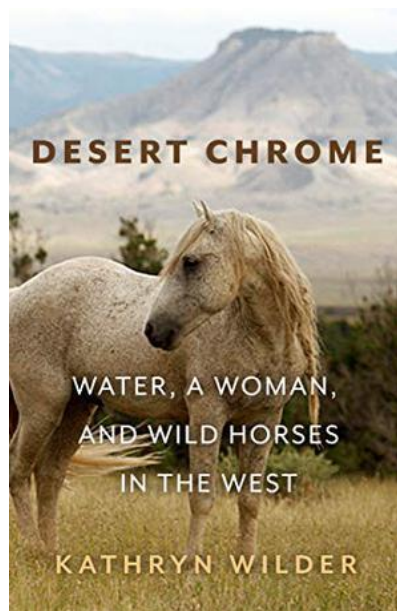
County Road 41, to the east down County Road G, and back to the library via County Roads 38 and J - if you live along these routes, we'd love for you to come to the end of your driveway and offer your enthusiasm for the racers. A 5K is being offered again this year as well as a 1 mile fun-run for the kiddos. There is still time to register, sign up at <https://home.rockymountainraces.co/mancos-cowboy-half-marathon> today!

I would also like to thank all the generous sponsors who contributed to this year's race and helped raise over \$10,000 for the library! There are too many to add here, but a full listing can be found at the race link listed above. We love our community, and the generosity of these local sponsors is just another reason why - thank you!!

## Adult Programs – From the Desk of Midge Kirk

This month's interview is with author, educator, teacher, and seeker, Sharon Mingerey. Sharon has published 11 novels but contributes to many genres. She has an MFA in Popular Fiction Writing from Seaton Hill University. Her novels have been the recipient of numerous awards including the Golden Heart, the Reader's Choice Award, and the Keeper Award. It will be available on the website sometime the week of October 18. Check it out!

We are also hoping to have an interview with Kat Wilder (local author of *Desert Chrome*) and TJ (wild horse activist), at the end of the month. It is still in the planning stages but stay tuned. It should be a fantastic event. These are two remarkable, strong, and passionate women. Not to be missed. I highly recommend the book!



"Lyrical and vivid...an homage to the wildness and beauty of the West. *Desert Chrome* will especially appeal to those readers who love horses, dogs, ranching, and the ever-changing and at-risk earth we all inhabit. Wilder has written an unforgettable book."


















—**DURANGO HERALD**

Young Adult Programs – From the Desk of Jenni Kitchen, YA Coordinator



# TEENtober

What will you discover at the library?  
[www.ala.org/yalsa/teentober](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/teentober)

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 <b>Mental Health Awareness Week October 3<sup>rd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup></b> 						
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EVERY FRIDAY JENNI IS IN THE LIBRARY, WORKING HARD AT MAKING PROGRAMS AND BUYING BOOKS! SOMETIMES YOU CAN FIND HER OUT FRONT AT THE DESK OR IN THE YA STACKS! COME IN ANYTIME AND SAY "HI" (SHE USUALLY HAS SNACKS)!



**SATURDAY OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup>**, MANCOS LIBRARY YA SERVICES WILL BE SHOWING A MOVIE **FROM 7 TO 9PM!** "WHAT MOVIE?" YOU ASK... WELL, YOU WILL HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE!



JENNI IS IN THE LIBRARY EVERY TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL IN THE BACK OFFICE BUT IS WILLING TO COME OUT AND CHAT WITH STUDENTS ANYTIME!



JENNI IS IN THE LIBRARY EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTER SHOOOL, SOMETIMES BEHIND THE DESK, SOMETIMES IN THE STACKS, BUT EASY TO FIND IF YOU WANT TO COME IN AND SAY "ELLO"!!!



TEEN TOBER MEANS **ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE** AT THE MANCOS LIBRARY! **THURSDAY OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup>** COME IN FOR A SPECIAL TEEN CAFÉ **FROM 4 TO 8PM!** WANT TO SURVIVE A DISASTER? WE CAN LEARN SOME TRICKS IN THE CASE OF THE EVENT OF A ZOMBIE INFECTION!



our Outdoor Classroom; otherwise, we will move into the community room.

Here's the schedule:

**Powerhouse Science 9:30 - 10:30 am**

Science experiments & hands-on demonstrations with Powerhouse educators.

**Reading Buddies 10:30 - 11:30 am**

Listen to stories, read aloud, make art, explore nature!

**Building & Creating 12:30 - 2:00 pm**

Arts, crafts, engineering and other creative projects.

**To Register:**

- Please email Erin at [ebohm@mancoslibrary.org](mailto:ebohm@mancoslibrary.org) each **Wednesday by noon** to register your child for Friday programs. Indicate which program(s) they will attend.

**Important Details:**

- Programs will be held outdoors whenever possible; students should dress appropriately.
- Lunch is provided courtesy of Mancos Food Share
- To maintain the safety of our patrons and staff, the Mancos Public Library requires the **wearing of face masks for all patrons, 2 years old and over, while attending indoor or outdoor group library programs.** Patrons unable or unwilling to wear a mask will be asked to make reasonable accommodations to maintain at least 6 feet of separation between themselves and the rest of the group. Masks will be provided if students do not have one.

**Story Time**

Join us in our "blankets and pillows nest" (also known as the outdoor classroom!) for songs, poems and stories based on a different theme each week. Here are the details!

- **An outdoor event:** Gather in the outdoor classroom on our blankets and pillows. If the weather prevents us from being outside, we will move into the children's room.
- **A mask-friendly event:** To maintain the safety of our patrons and staff, the Mancos Public Library requires the wearing of face masks for all patrons, two years old and over, while attending indoor or outdoor group library programs. Patrons unable or unwilling to wear a mask will be asked to make reasonable accommodations to maintain at least six feet of separation between themselves and the rest of the group.
- **A distancing friendly event:** CDC directives will be reflected in our seating arrangements - a cozy pillow spot will be provided for each child and their caregiver to model and assist with social distancing.
- **A weekly event:** Children up to five years old; Mondays 10:30 - 11 am
- **An online event, too:** Story Time Online will also resume! Please continue to access these videos by selecting the "For Kids" tab on the MPL website, scrolling down to the Online Storytime icon.

## **Lego Lab!**

Join us for a free forum of creative engineering using the library's Lego League materials to invent, collaborate and build!

Here are the details:

- **An outdoor event:** Gather in the outdoor classroom to practice engineering moving Lego elements. If the weather prevents us from being outside, we will move into the children's room.
- **A mask friendly event:** To maintain the safety of our patrons and staff, the Mancos Public Library requires the wearing of face masks for all patrons, two years old and over, while attending indoor or outdoor group library programs. Patrons unable or unwilling to wear a mask will be asked to make reasonable accommodations to maintain at least 6 feet of separation between themselves and the rest of the group.
- **A distancing friendly event:** CDC directives will be reflected in our seating arrangements - participants can establish their very own building area with the shared Lego supplies located in a central location.
- **A weekly event:** Children aged 7 - 12 years old; Fridays 1 - 3 pm

**Circulation Manager, From the desk of Bernadette Tuthill**

## **Welcome October!**

October is National Book Month and encourages us to celebrate and expand our love of reading. As warm temperatures start to leave us for the winter, it's the perfect time to put on some cozy slippers, have a cup of tea or your favorite beverage and curl up on the couch with a good book.

Pick up your favorite books and make some time to read them.



**Reading is dreaming with open eyes. *Author Unknown***



**Where has your card taken you?**

**Think of all the places you've visited from the comfort of your home using your library card.**



I could never have dreamt that there were such goings-on  
in the world between the covers of books,  
such sandstorms and ice blasts of words,  
such staggering peace, such enormous laughter,  
such and so many blinding bright lights,  
splashing all over the pages  
in a million bits and pieces  
all of which were words, words, words,  
and each of which were alive forever  
in its own delight and glory and oddity and light.

By Dylan Thomas



Have a wonderful October! Revel in the beautiful fall colors and let a book take you  
someplace you have never been before.

## **Cataloging, From the Desk of Kathy Graf**

Some new items in the system at the library:

### **Adult Fiction:**

Find you First by Linwood Barclay  
Animal by Lisa Taddeo  
Unfinished Business by J.A. Jance

### **Adult Nonfiction:**

Infinite Country by Patricia Engel  
Bad Medicine by Charlotte Bismuth  
Group by Christie Tate

### **Easy Fiction:**

Max Goes to Jupiter by Jeffrey Bennet  
Meeting the Bear by Christine Odle  
The One and Only Sparkella by Channing Tatum

### **YA**

Where Secrets Lie by Eva V. Gibson



What I Carry by Jennifer Longo  
The Illiad by Homer

## From the Desk of Kira Taylor, Technology News

I am so excited to now be a part of the Mancos Public Library as the new Technology Manager. I have long been an admirer of our library - how lucky are we to have such an amazing institution in our little town?

Now that I have had a chance to settle in and get to know the library a bit better, I am making myself officially available for patron appointments. Do you have a technology question? Is there a new program or device that you would like to learn how to use? Do you need to use technology to finish a task, but don't know how? I will work one-on-one with you to help you figure it out! I am available on the following days and times:

**Tuesday from 10 AM to 3:00 PM**

**Wednesday from 10 AM to 1 PM**

**Thursday from 10 AM to 3 PM**

If none of these times suit your needs, reach out anyway, and I will try to make something work for you. Please make every effort to book a time with me at least 24 hours ahead of time, either by stopping in, calling the library, or booking on the website with a description of what you would like to work on. I can take walk-ins occasionally, but I might be otherwise booked or busy.

I also would like to offer some community classes in the future. If you have any requests or ideas for technology classes that would benefit the community, please let me know at [tech@mancoslibrary.org](mailto:tech@mancoslibrary.org) or in person at the library.

I'm going to sign off with a couple of **technology tips**:

1. If you don't receive an email you are expecting (for example, our mailing list updates and newsletter!), check your spam folder. If you are unsure where this is, or how to ensure that an email from an organization you trust doesn't keep ending up in spam, book an appointment with me, and I'll walk you through it!
2. The internet is a big place full of many ideas and opinions. It is sometimes hard to determine what is true and what isn't. I really like this list from Thought Co about how to determine if a website is credible or not:

<https://www.thoughtco.com/gauging-website-reliability-2073838>

If in doubt, check multiple sources to make sure that the information is accurate. If you have kids (especially teenagers), teaching them to be internet savvy in

this way is so important!

Looking forward to meeting and working with everyone!

### **A word from The Gamemaster and Facilities Manager, Ryan Matthews**

Trivia Night at Mancos Brewing Co. every Wednesday evening from 6-7:30pm. Teams of 6 can participate in person or online using Zoom and Google docs. Below is a link to the "Homepage" where you can find clickable links to all the info you need to participate. This is a free event hosted by The Mancos Public Library and Mancos Brewing Co.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MlfXOLMMuJr9vQIGTRuQQOx-bs9diNtJgtwI7czH1tY/edit?usp=sharing>

### **Other Mancos Library News:**

**Upcoming Montezuma County Free Legal Clinic:**

**October 12th (The Second Tuesday of every month) 2021 from 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

**- Please contact the Mancos Library at (970) 533-7600 to be added to the sign-up sheet.**

**- NEW EXTENDED HOURS FOR 2021!**

Despite the COVID-19 closures of libraries across Colorado, the Virtual *Pro Se* Clinic (VPC) clinics will still be held as scheduled. As a COVID work-around, instead of clinic patrons coming in-person to your local public library (*which has limited access*), the volunteer attorney will call each clinic patron's telephone directly, during the clinic hours, using the phone number provided. Whether you're near Dove Creek, Cortez or Mancos, the volunteer attorney will call you at the phone number provided, for a free one-on-one discussion of your civil legal issue, during regular clinic hours.

Please contact your Mancos Library at **(970) 394-0273** to be added to the sign-up sheet. Space is limited.

### **Death Café**

Death Café has returned. We have had some wonderful discussions. We meet the third Thursday of each month. In October that is October 21, at 5:30. We will meet outside if weather permits. You may want to bring a sweater or jacket along with a chair. If the weather does not allow us to meet outside, we will meet in the Meeting room, socially distanced and please plan on wearing a mask. Join us for tea, cake, and a conversation about embracing the sacred in everyday life, including the art of being and dying. Connect with other gentle souls on this Earthly journey and share thoughts and ideas. Death Cafe normalizes a difficult, not morbid topic. We will have tea and cake!

## **From the Seed Lending Library**

In the early season the garden is oh so orderly and neat. But mid-season it is producing fantastic things. By this time, the end of the season, it is wild, uncontrolled, and chaotic! I have been finding lots of summer squash hiding, winter squash well on their way to maturity, tomatoes are ripening nicely and more lettuce and basil from a second planting. I have let a few of most everything go to seed to collect for next year. How about you? If you borrowed seed from the Library, that was the hope. If you have some seed, and you can bring back, please do. Now is the time. They need to be non-GMO, pesticide free, and heritage is a big plus. Just bring them to the circ desk at the library in an envelope labeled with your name, contact, what the seed is and where it was grown and date of delivery. It is absolutely not required, but it will be much appreciated. That way we can keep our seed library vital, fresh, and containing many varieties of seed so that we will be ready for planting and growing again next spring.

## **A Word from The Friends of The Library**

The officer election for 2021-22 went smoothly with no calls for recounts. This year's board is comprised of Anne Benson – President; Carolyn (Koko) Smith – 1<sup>st</sup> VP; Cathy Seibert – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP; Laurie Webster – Treasurer; and Tulli Kerstetter – Secretary.

Our next meeting is on the library patio, Monday, Oct. 4 at 4 pm.

We'll be getting ready to host the runner's food booth for the library's Cowboy Half Marathon, which is scheduled for October 16. A little closer to the date, we'll post a volunteer sign-up sheet at the library as we will need plenty of volunteers to help staff the booth.

New Friends logo hats are in and can be purchased at the library for \$20.

E-mail Anne at [southwestanne@yahoo.com](mailto:southwestanne@yahoo.com) if you have questions.

Friends is a volunteer organization that supports and promotes the Mancos Public Library. To become a member, go to [mancosfriends.org](http://mancosfriends.org) and download the membership form. If you are already a member and it's been a while since you received an e-mail from us, please send Anne a note at [southwestanne@yahoo.com](mailto:southwestanne@yahoo.com). Some of the e-mail addresses in our database are just wrong.

