

Mancos Public Library

211 West First St. (**Please note:** We no longer have a PO Box)

Mancoslibrary.org 970-533-7600

"In the nonstop tsunami of global information, librarians provide us with floaties and teach us to swim." *Linton Weeks*



From the Desk of the Director, Jared Boudreaux

It's Fall Y'all!

Technically it's been Fall for a while, but it sure is in full swing now. Don't worry, you still have time to swing by, pick up a good book, and get cozy by the fire. However, with the holiday season comes some holiday closures. So, keep in mind that the library will be closed on November 11 for Veteran's Day as well as November 24 and 25 for Thanksgiving.

Another date to keep in mind is November 9. The vaccine bus will be stopping by that morning, and they have something for everyone! The bus will be stocked with flu vaccines as well as COVID-19 vaccines and boosters for all ages. So be sure to pay them a visit and get yourself protected for the holidays.

I'd also like to express my gratitude to everyone who participated in or helped support the Cowboy Half

What is happening at your Library:

NOVEMBER 8th, THE LIBRARY IS A POLLING PLACE FROM 7 AM to 7 PM. PLEASE VOTE!

Please fill out the adult program survey – it is on the website and hard copy is at the circ desk. Ends 11/18

Nov. 5th. Scaling the Mountain: Unleashing Wildness in Your Writing
With Lisa C. Taylor 2-4 pm

EVERYONE HAS A STORY!
November 10th -5-6 pm

Trivia is live on Wednesday nights!

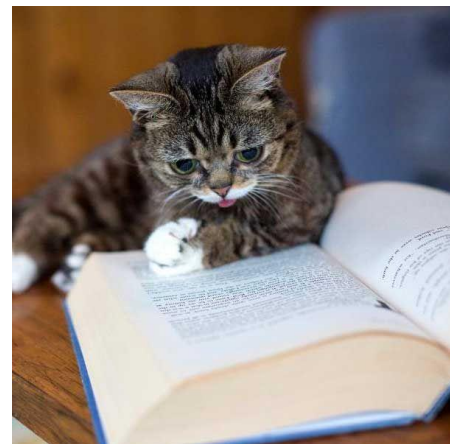
Death Café at 5:30 November 17

The Art Wall features Bryan Kyle

Many **Teen Activities** see Jenni's column for details

Wellness Series final for the season Healing our Land – Healing our People
Jim Mischke and Spiritual Wellness may still be rescheduled. We will post on the website.

Children's programming, please see Erin's post.



Marathon, 5k and Fun Run. We had an amazing turnout this year with hundreds of runners across all the races. Events like these help us maintain a robust collection of materials as well as quality programs throughout the year. We couldn't do it without all of you. Thanks for your continued support!

Adult Programs – From the Desk of Midge Kirk

NOVEMBER 8TH, COME OUT AND VOTE! THE MANCOS LIBRARY IS A POLLING PLACE FROM 7 AM TO 7PM.

November 5th, **Scaling the Mountain: Unleashing Wildness in Your Writing.** A Free Writing Workshop

Does your writing follow predictable patterns? Are there places you won't go because you are uncertain of how to leap into that wild landscape? Take risks, trust your words. Come and journey through the wild landscape! Your facilitator, Lisa C. Taylor, has five published collections of poetry and two collections of short fiction. She is an author, educator, and believes everyone has a story, and all stories matter. Bring a notebook and pen or a tablet.

November 9th **The Wellness Series** concludes, focusing on Environmental Wellness.

Healing Our Land... Healing Our People

Speakers: Scott Hauck and Margaret Paradise of Sacred Song Farm



Humanity, in our minds, has a simple task: steward land towards more life and bring children up in the context of God's abundant Creation. Everything else is a side note. If we do this, land gets healthier. If we do this people get healthier. If we do this the hum and anxious vibrations of culture calm and ease. The only reason to do this work is to grow protein that aids in calming the spirit- reducing anxiety so the little things stay little, reducing fear so the scary things don't look so, and reducing anger so the annoying things don't become so. When we eat Real Food from Real Landscapes grown

by Real People, we heal the broken relationships which separate us from that which gives us our very life... The food we raise is the manifestation of our family's sacrifice in service of this land and these animals. It is the product of our commitment to doing things properly. It is the result of us trying, to the best of our ability, to keep things in the right order.... This is the real and emergent process of us, Margaret and Scott and River and Sunny and Birdy and Tom and all those who participate in the production that is Sacred Song Farm, healing not only the land, but as people.

Date: 2nd Wednesday, 9 November 2022

Time: 6pm

Place: Mancos Public Library

(We still hope to reschedule the Spiritual Aspects of Wellness with Jim Mischke. If we can do that we will post on the Website)

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Happy Thanksgiving!

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

International Games Month Brings the Community Together to Read, Learn and Play This November, like so many before, Mancos Public Library joins thousands in celebrating the popularity and power of games and play! MPL will join over a thousand libraries around the world during International Games Month as they transform their libraries with play. Like many other libraries across the country and around the world, MPL will offer special gaming programs and events suitable for the whole family. Ms. Jenni will hold the regular Teen Game Nights on the 1st and 3rd Fridays from 6 to 9 (exclusively for Teens) and then.... The whole community is invited to come play video games and tabletop games on Saturday November 5th from 10 to 3pm & Saturday November 19th from 10 to 3pm. Throughout the whole Month of November we would

love to see you, family, and friends come in anytime we are open to grab a tabletop (board and card) game and a spot in the library to get your game on! We have many games available all the time. Whether you want to play Monopoly, Uno, Chess, or Backgammon, we have got games for you. We also have several puzzles if you want a noncompetitive, relaxing time while you are here. International Games Month is an international initiative supported by the American Library Association, the Australian Library and Information Association, Nordic Game Day, L'Associazione Italiana Biblioteche, and the Public and Mobile Library Group of the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals. For more information on International Games Month please visit the Games in Libraries blog <http://games.ala.org>. For more information on the events at Mancos Public Library please contact Jenni at 970-533-7600 or visit <https://mancoslibrary.org/events/> Events by Jenni Teen Game Night Friday November 4th from 6 to 9pm International Games Month event Saturday November 5th from 10 to 3pm Everyone Has a Story Thursday November 10th from 5:30 to 6:30pm (With Midge Kiks and Jenni Kitchen) Teen Café (Burgers and Crafting) Saturday November 12th from 6 to 8pm Teen Game Night Friday November 18th from 6 to 9pm International Games Month event Saturday November 19th from 10 to 3pm

Do you enjoy writing but don't like being constrained or regimented? Do you want to mingle with others who enjoy writing?


EVERYONE HAS A STORY!
You have stories and they are yours to tell.

The Community Writing Project invites all beings to gather in a safe, fun and free place twice a month to write and share, if you wish, those stories!

All ages, all abilities are invited.
Experience is welcome but no writing experience is required.

Write from personal experience, about your pet, the mountains and nature, sports, anything that comes to mind. Let your imagination and creativity take control and write whatever you desire.


We will occasionally have short clips, videos, readings, etc., from other writers in the world, to help to inspire us.



Starting in November
Every 2nd and 4th Thursday
From 5:30 to 6:30
In the Mancos Public Library Meeting Room

Come write, share, and inspire each other to tell our stories!

Dates for Winter 2022
November 10th
November 24th
December 8th
December 22nd



INTERNATIONAL GAMES MONTH

1-30 NOVEMBER 2022

Come Play @ Mancos Public Library!

MPL has games and wants you to come in and play! You can play any game from our game collection with friends, family, and possibly even strangers! If a game isn't your thing, we have puzzles also!

Come in any day and time we are open and grab some fun time from among the board, card, paper & pencil, and other tabletop games available (you will find them all around the library!)

Teen Gaming Nights
Exclusively for teens each and every month!
Friday November 4th from 6 to 9pm
Friday November 18th from 6 to 9pm

Special Community Gaming Days
Video games and more for everybody in the community!
Saturday November 5th from 10 to 3pm
Saturday November 19th from 10 to 3pm



Children's Librarian – from the desk of Erin Bohm



The cozy seasons have officially begun! While physically traveling around is trickier in the winter, children's imaginations are especially inspiring in their ability to transport them, from the comfort of their beds or favorite chairs, to far flung destinations!

Our children's room is full of items that help to experiment with their imaginations and fulfill their visions - costumes, props, tiny furniture for the littlest ones and books filled with facts or fantasy (plus a big-kid sized furniture) for our bigger kids.

Speaking of transporting ourselves around the world and into wild adventures, remember the Choose Your Own Adventure books, popular in the 80's and 90's? I sure do. They were written by Edward Packard (fun fact: For years, he and his wife have lived part time in Durango!!) A recent article about his amazing legacy includes this quote - I currently have it my email signature:

"The warning at the beginning of every Choose Your Own Adventure book is also a promise: '*You are responsible because you choose!... Think carefully before you make a move...*'"

The fact of multiple endings offers a sense of freedom and safety at once, reconciling two conflicting desires of childhood: autonomy and protection....

It's the thrill of watching a powerful waterfall from a sturdy boulder..."

Now What? The Enduring Hold of Choose Your Own Adventure Books.

Leslie Jamison. 2022

This is truly a great example of the power that stories have to transport us, to allow us to imagine ourselves being somewhere else, even *being* someone else, from the safety of our homes and libraries. Our bodies and minds experience the journeys we take using stories, just almost as though they've really happened to us - what a wonderful way to grow!

Children's Programs

- Our Friday program - "Fridays @ the Library" continues, but will not be offered on the following holidays:

Friday November 11th - Veterans Day

Friday November 25th - Thanksgiving Break

Please see our website's Events Calendar for this program's schedule.

Any questions about weekly registration for this program can be directed to Erin Bohm at ebohm@mancoslibrary.org

- Storytime will continue to be offered on Wednesdays - 10:30 - 11:00 am, followed by a playgroup from 11 -11:30 am. When weather permits we will utilize the outdoor play area but we're likely to be most often in the children's room. This program will not be offered on Wednesday November 23rd, during the Thanksgiving Break.

Circulation Manager - From the desk of Bernadette Tuthill

November already?



It's hard to believe that it is almost the end of the year. Time to celebrate:

The last of the fall colors and the end of most outside work. More time for book reading!

National Authors Day- Come get a book by your favorite author or a new one you haven't read before.

The first Saturday in November is "Book Lover's Day".

November 14-18 is National Young Readers Week.

November is a busy month with the end of Daylight Savings, Election Day, Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving.



There are new books added to the collection weekly, so be sure to come to the library to check them out, get new books to read and maybe new decorating ideas for the upcoming Holiday season.

See you at the Library!

Cataloging - From the Desk of Kathy Graf

Our Knitting/Crochet class will start up again **MONDAY, November 1, 6-7pm**. This is just for the first one. I just picked a time; we can look at any time.

New books that have come in the last month.

Easy

Pinky and Rex Go to Camp by Sweet, Melissa,
Peanut Butter & Cupcake! / by Border, Terry,
Betty Bunny didn't do it / Kaplan, Michael B.

Junior

The Baby-sitters Club:

Mary Anne saves the day / by Telgemeier, Raina,

The Usborne little encyclopedia of seas & oceans / by Denne, Ben.

Snakes as a new pet / by Oberon, Jake.

Young Adult

Cancel Culture: | social justice or mob rule? / by Allen, John,

How to Money : | your ultimate visual guide to the basics of finance / by Chatzky, Jean Sherman,

Me and White Supremacy : | young readers' edition / by Saad, Layla F.,

Adult

1808 : | the flight of the emperor : how a weak prince, a mad queen, and the British navy tricked Napoleon and changed the new world / by Gomes, Laurentino,

Silver Under Nightfall / by Chupeco, Rin,

Foul Lady Fortune / by Gong, Chloe,

Technology: From the Desk of Kira Taylor

Hello all!

We've had a few big changes in the past few weeks - we have replaced all the access points in the library, which are the devices that allow wifi access throughout our building and grounds. These new access points have newer technology and will save the library money in the long run, as they don't require a monthly subscription. The only thing that will seem different to patrons is the name of our public network - it has changed from Guest to MPL Guest, with the same password. This does mean that if you previously had our network saved on your device, you will have to enter it again the first time you use our new network.

We also have been updating some of our slower staff computers to allow us all to work more efficiently and are putting a program called Deep Freeze on our rental laptops, which will do a better job of protecting patron information by essentially clearing the computer between uses.

We have had a bit of a setback in our new patron login system that we were hoping to roll out on the children's computers but should have something set up by the end of November for everyone to try out and for us to fine tune.

I have put a hold on tech classes for the time being, as there hasn't been a lot of

interest, but if you are interested in learning about a particular topic, and know at least two other people who would also be interested in attending, let me know at tech@mancoslibrary.org and I will put together a hands-on class for you and your friends! As always, I will still be offering free, one-on-one tech appointments for patrons, which you can sign up for on our website.

A few words from the Dungeons of Ryan Matthews, Facilities Manager and Gamemaster

Trivia Night at Mancos Brewing Co. is every Wednesday evening from 6-7:30pm. Teams of up to 6 can participate in person. This is a free event hosted by The Mancos Public Library and Mancos Brewing Co. Online participation has been suspended.

LEGO Lab continues through August, every Friday from 1-3pm at The Mancos Public Library for children ages 6 to 14 yrs.

DON'T FORGET, the 3D printer! For complete and understandable instructions please visit the website <https://mancoslibrary.org/>

Other Mancos Library News:

Upcoming Montezuma County Free Legal Clinic:

(The Second Tuesday of every month) November 8th.

- Please contact the Director at Mancos Library at (970) 533-7600 x 301, to be added to the sign-up sheet.

Virtual *Pro Se* Clinic (VPC) clinics are still offered. What began as a COVID work-around, continues. Rather than 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.

Death Café

We have been having some wonderful discussions! Join us on the third Thursday of each month. November 17th this month, at 5:30.

Seed Library

Now is a great time to bring in any seeds you may have harvested. We hope you had a great growing season. Thanks for supporting the Seed Library!

A Word from The Friends of The Library

The Friends had a marvelous time at the racer's food booth for the Mancos Cowboy Half Marathon. It was a perfect day for a run and a perfect day to visit with fellow library lovers.

A big thank you to Absolute Bakery and Café, who donated yummy cookies; to P & D Grocery, who donated watermelons, grapes, and ice; and to Zuma Natural Foods, who donated oranges. (We have the best community, ever!) And a big thank you to all who came to help!

The next meeting of the Friends board will be November 1 at 4 pm in the library conference room. We'll be discussing the possibility of holding a holiday book sale and perhaps getting the final tally of donations to the library from Rocky Mountain Races.

All are welcome at the meetings. Contact Anne at southwestanne@yahoo.com for more information.

As always, Friends logo hats can be purchased at the library for \$20. Friends is a volunteer organization that supports and promotes the Mancos Public Library. To become a member, go to mancosfriends.org and download the membership form.

See you at the library!

