



PINE RIVER LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

January 2025



December 31:
Closing at 5pm

January 1:
Closed for New Year's Day

January 8: Delayed opening at 10 AM for monthly staff meeting

January 20:
Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



First Friday Matinees are aimed at adults, and Family Friday Matinees (third Friday of the month) are kids' movies.



First Friday Matinee, January 3 1:30 PM, Knives Out (PG-13)



Family Friday Matinee, January 17 1:30 PM, The Wild Robot (PG)

Three Classes to Help Kick Off the New Year Right:

Resolution: Declutter!

Saturday, January 4 | 10am

Feeling overwhelmed by things? Get started right away tackling your New Year's resolution to tidy up! Learn how to simplify your stuff to de-clutter, de-own, and de-stress!

With Molly Orendorff, owner of Cleaning Simplified.



Hearts Don't Lie: Give Your Body the Love It Deserves!

Saturday, February 1 | 10am

Sneak Peek for February 1st: Take advantage of New Year's resolutions and Heart Health Month to make healthier choices! Registered dietician Susan Fischer will help us focus on establishing and maintaining life enhancing habits.



Plus, watch for a free auricular (ear) acupuncture presentation plus free follow up sessions coming in February!

Classic Movie Series: Yellow Sky

Monday, January 13 | 6pm

Film enthusiast Dennis Taylor is back and is hosting a series of classic movies on the second Monday of each month. In this telling of the story, an unsavory gang of bank robbers led by "Stretch" Dawson is on the run after their latest job. It's a motley crew made up of characters with colorful names such as Dude, Half Pint, and Walrus.



New Program: Kaffeeklatsch!

Thursday, January 9 | 10:30-11:30am

Come and join us for an hour of German conversation on the second Thursday of every month. Meet others who have ties to Deutschland or to the German language and want to practice their skills. Bis bald!



Cozy Craft Night: Quilling

Tuesday, January 21 | 5-6:30pm

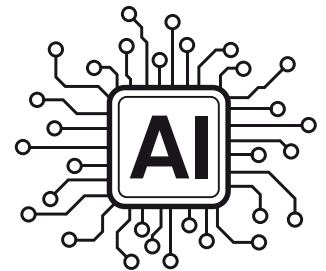
Try out your new favorite Winter craft: paper quilling! This month's Cozy Craft Night is a casual drop in workshop in the community room (we'll still try to make it as cozy as possible). We will provide all materials, and if you don't finish, we can loan you some supplies to take home. With PRL staff members Summer and Joanna.

Senior Planet Series:

AI & Disinformation

Tuesday, January 14 | 11-12pm

This free class will show you how to evaluate information and disinformation. Disinformation refers to false information created to mislead people, and it's nothing new. But today's AI powered tools and social media have made it easier and faster to create and spread disinformation. In this lecture, we'll explore how AI is used to create convincing deepfakes and clone voices, making it challenging to distinguish between real and fake content. We'll also review best practices for evaluating information and explore tech tools that can help identify content created with AI. Please register with Michelle Wagner at michelle.l.wagner@state.co.us or 720.556.9102.



Parent Skill Building: Understanding Challenging Behaviors in our Children

Wednesday, January 22 | 5:15-7pm

Join Team UP La Plata for this helpful workshop for parents to support efforts to improve our families' relationships with screen-time and tech use. Chris Brown from La Plata Youth Services will walk us through the "landscape" of our current tech-fueled culture, before jumping into helpful strategies, boundaries, and tools to support parents and their children as they navigate this landscape. Technology and screen use is a part of our lives in 2025, and Chris will help us create a healthy screen-use plan for our loved ones and ourselves. Dinner and childcare are provided!

Register here: <https://airtable.com/appPOIY7NCxUlWDBL/shrmZ2IzN5LiSwlSJ>

Questions? Email carolineh@unitedway-swco.org. Dinner 5:15, workshops 5:30-7.



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YOUTH SERVICES

Please note that there are no youth programs during Winter Break.

KIDS PROGRAMS

Hopper's Storytime | Thursdays | 11AM-Noon

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

STEAM Power Hour (Grades 3-5) | Mondays | 4-5 PM

Junior STEAM Power Hour (Grades K-2) | Wednesdays | 4-5 PM

Join us weekly to explore new interests, delve into the wonders of learning science, and create artistic masterpieces! Pre-registration required.

Visit www.prlibrary.org/after-school-programs to register.

Gamer Club (Grades 3-5) | Tuesdays | 4-5 PM

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 laptop or gaming devices if they prefer. This program is geared for grades 3+ but younger children are welcome to attend with a caregiver. Pre-registration required. Visit www.prlibrary.org/after-school-programs to register.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Maker Mondays | Mondays | 4-5:30 PM

Cook, build, craft... let's make things!

Game On! | Tuesdays | 4-5:30 PM

Let's game together: board games, table top, cards.

Wishlist Wednesdays | Wednesdays | 4-5:30 PM

Anything* can happen - give us your ideas.

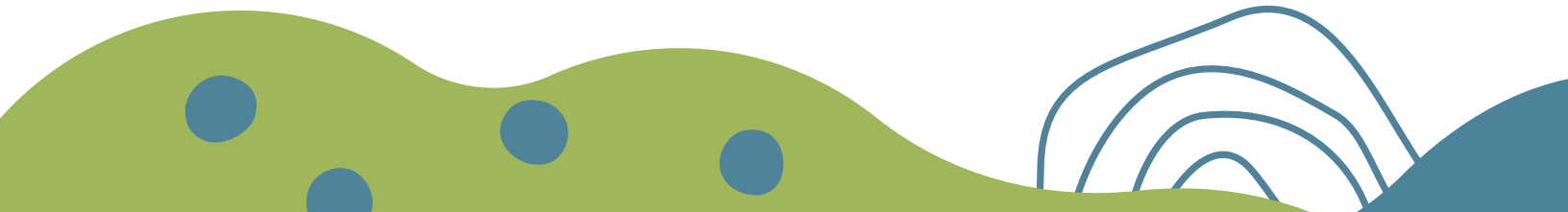
Teen Trivia | Thursdays | 4-5:30 PM

Show what you know & win prizes.

Teen D&D | Fridays | 12:30-1:30 PM

This is a continuation of our 2024 D&D group. New members welcome and no experience necessary, but know that you need to set up a character before you can join the campaign. Please reach out at kelly@prlibrary.org to schedule a time for that.

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Monthly/Weekly Events

Community Knitting and Crochet Group | Sundays | 1-3 PM

All are welcome! Whether you have been knitting and/or crocheting for years or you would like to learn, we are happy to have you and will do our best to help you get started.

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

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

Digital Navigator | Tuesdays | 1-6 PM

Sign up for free one-on-one tech help through our partnership with the Office of the Future of Work! Visit the library, call Michelle at 720.556.9102, or sign up at the front desk to make an appointment request.

Make & Takes | Thursdays | 4-5 PM

New! Join us in the community room for make & take projects! This program is geared toward a teen skill level, but it is open to all.

Typeset Writers' Group | Monday, January 6 | 6-8 PM

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.

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Community Music Makers | Thursday, January 9 | 1:30-3:30 PM

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!

Beginning Mahjong Meetup | Fridays, January 10, 24 | 4-5:30 PM

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 on the second and fourth Friday of each month.

4 Corners Tabletop Night | Fridays, January 10, 17, 24 | 6-11 PM

4 Corners Tabletop Night is a place for tabletop gamers in the Four Corners area 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 for event information, hobby inspiration, and tabletop chat. Join us the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday of each month. Group Discord Server: 4 Corners Tabletop: (<https://discord.com/invite/eckX7hdJfR>) For more information, email Blake Johnson at blakekjohnson@gmail.com or Byron Munda at byronallen175@gmail.com.

Marvel Crisis Protocol Tournament | Saturday, January 11 | 3-8 PM

This exciting one-day, three-round event will see up to 10 players battle for supremacy and claim the prestigious 4 Corners Tabletop MCP Championship Belt, along with awesome hobby-oriented prizes! Participants will face off in thrilling scenarios, testing their tactical prowess with dynamic objectives and intense battles. For more information, join 4 Corners Tabletop Discord Server: 4 Corners Tabletop: (<https://discord.com/invite/eckX7hdJfR>)

Card Making at the Pine River Senior Center | Tuesday, January 14 | 10-11 AM

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

Library Board Meeting | Wednesday, January 15, 5:30 PM

Death Café | Tuesday, January 21 | 1-2:30 PM

Pine River Library is one of many groups in 79 countries across the world that host Death Cafés. A Death Café is a time and place where people come to share food, drink tea or coffee, and discuss death openly and honestly. The aim is to increase awareness about death in order to help people make the most of their (finite) lives. Join us the third Tuesday of the month.

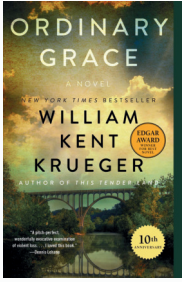
Spanish Conversation Hour | Thursday, January 23 | 11 AM-12 PM

Join us for an hour of conversation en español at the library. Come practice your Spanish in an informal setting. All ages and language levels welcome!

Pine River Senior Center Outreach | Friday, January 24 | 11:30 AM-12:30 PM

Enjoy books and DVDs available for check out, delivered to you at the Senior Center each month.

Book Clubs



Bookmarks Book Club

Second Wednesday of the Month (Jan. 8) | 2-3:30 PM

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: *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger.

Cookbook Club

Third Wednesday of the Month (Jan. 15) | Noon-1 PM

Each month, we gather together and share a potluck of recipes from a chosen cookbook, chef, or cuisine! Stop by the library and pick up a copy of that month's cookbook and then call or email Joanna to RSVP and let the library know what recipe you'll be making for the potluck (970.884.2222 ext. 517, joanna@prlibrary.org). In January, we will focus on the hearty Winter fundamentals of soup and bread!



Check out our 2024 Staff Favorites!



In 2024, we dove into tons of amazing content – on the page, on screen, and through our earphones! Check out some of our top picks! <https://www.prlibrary.org/2024-staff-favorites>

Exercise Classes & Meetups

Mountaintop Movement

These classes are hosted by local fitness instructors Brian and Tammy Williams. Follow them on the [Mountaintop Movement Facebook page](#) for more info!


Full Body Fit Class | Monday-Thursday | 8:15-8:50 AM: Workout using your own body weight or light hand weights to work all the body parts! The free classes are always similar in style but always different moves to keep it fun and fresh. You'll need a yoga mat & light hand weights. If you don't have them, there are extras that can be used. All ages and fitness levels are welcome. These classes are free, but donations are welcome!

Yoga For All | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 9:15-10:15 AM

In this informal, free meetup, we create awareness and harmony between the mind and body that allows us to reduce stress and anxiety. We use our breath to move deeper into our bodies while warming, lengthening, and strengthening our muscles. All you need is a yoga mat and a water bottle. Some yoga tools such as blocks, a blanket and a strap are encouraged.



January at Pine River Library

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