

# Prescott Public Library News

## December 2017

### Upcoming Youth Events

NEW PROGRAM!  
[Bilingual Storytime/](#)  
[Cuentos Bilingües](#)  
Saturdays at 11 a.m.

[Caldecott Books and Art for Kids](#)

Saturday, January 20 at 11 a.m.

[Lego Expo](#)

Thursday, January 25 at 4 p.m.

### For All Ages

[The Secret to Raising Connected Families](#)

Wednesday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m.

### Upcoming Adult Events

[Territorial Talent: Bug and Pippy](#)

Wednesday, December 20 at 5 p.m.

[Arizona Humanities Lecture: The Ancient Hohokam Ballgame of Arizona](#)

Thursday, January 4 at 5 p.m.

NEW PROGRAM!  
[Water Wednesdays](#),  
Wednesday, January 17 at noon

[Job Help Classes](#)

1st, 3rd and 4th  
Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

Hello Prescott Public Library Patrons,

The holiday season is upon us. If you are travelling or if you are taking a well-deserved "staycation," Prescott Public Library can help. You can check out a book for the long nights. Driving to another's house? We have books on CD to make the miles go faster. If you need something on your personal device, you can [download an eBook or audiobook](#) to read while you wait for the plane.

Having a hard time deciding what to choose? Take a look at the [NextReads](#) archives, and sign up to get newsletters about books that will interest you.

Wherever you find yourself over the next few weeks, I wish you good cheer. I'll see you at the library.

[Roger Saft](#)

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## Volunteers Honored at 2017 Volunteer Luncheon



Volunteers for Prescott Public Library were honored and thanked for their library service at a luncheon provided by the Friends of the Prescott Public Library on December 6. In the past year, 172 volunteers provided the library with 14,163 hours of service—equivalent to seven full time employees. Those who have volunteered with the library for five years and more were presented with a service pin and a Certificate of Appreciation.

Two special awards were also presented at the ceremony. John and Marion Baker were presented with special recognition for their 35 years of volunteer work with the library. John and Marion have helped at service desks, began and operated the Friends of the Library Book Sale, wrote and edited *The Roundup* and served on the Friends of the Library Board of Directors.



Alan Perry was honored by the library staff as Volunteer of the Year. Alan volunteers by checking in books and submitting information about library events to news organizations and online calendars. Alan also enters survey data into databases, providing statistical information that helps drive library services.

Alan, who said he was a "bit overwhelmed" by the recognition, stated that he volunteers because the library means a lot to him. He continued by saying that his parents were both volunteers and set an example for him. He, in turn, wants to set an example for his own two children.

We applaud Alan, John and Marion as well as our other 169 volunteers. Their dedication and enthusiasm help provide the quality library service that the citizens of Prescott enjoy.

## **Library Teens Serving Our Community**

Pairing teens with service opportunities is a great way to enrich our community and library! Beginning in August 2009, the Teen Advisory Group, more commonly known as TAG, took off at Prescott Public Library and over the years progressively became a fixture. TAG began its mission of giving teens a voice in the library and community by first starting a teen book club. Today, that book club still thrives with teens who Skype with authors and participate in Teens' Top Ten, a national book reviewing program sponsored by the American Library Association.

Over the last eight years, TAG has created long-standing programs such as the yearly tea party, Reader's Theater for Kids, Teen Battle of the Books, and the Haunted House. In addition, they facilitate many children's events from building graham cracker houses to stuffing eggs to running arts and crafts stations for the summer reading program. TAG has given back to the community by collecting food for the local food pantry, donating books and games to local family shelters and collecting change for veterans in their "Cents for Soldiers" drive.

Thanks to the Friends of the Prescott Public Library for supporting the Teen Advisory Group and its projects over the years.

## **Did you know...**

You do need to have some activity in your account that relates to physical items: holds, checkouts, etc. at least once every two years to keep your card active. Just checking out eBooks or using an electronic resource won't keep your card active. However, if you cannot come to the library, you can just log in to your account and place a hold on an

item. That will ensure you remain an active library cardholder. Even if you cancel the hold after you place it, the library database will know you are still with us out there!

## **Upcoming Library Closures**

Monday, December 25 - Christmas

Monday, January 1 - New Year's Day

Monday, January 15 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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