

## Newsletter of the Library Friends of Payson, Inc.

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The Library Friends of Payson, Inc., is a private, nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide financial and community support to the Payson Public Library. We believe that public libraries comprise an integral aspect of community identity and development, and we support endeavors that encourage literacy and free inquiry within the individual, the family, and society.

### New Library Friends Meeting Schedule:

In 2009, our meetings will be held on the 4th Thursday of each month at 10:30 am.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, April 23

# Among Friends



APRIL 2009

Payson Public Library

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Payson, AZ 85541  
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Terry Morris, Director

### Library Hours

Tues-Fri 9a-6p

Sat 10a-2p

Closed Sun, Mon

## March Meeting Notes



Caring for one another through illness and death in a family and community is as old as mankind. The word hospice comes from the Latin *hospes*, meaning to host a stranger or guest (also the root of the word hospital). **Kathleen Hughes** of **RTA Hospice** was the special guest speaker at our March general meeting, along with RTA's newest chaplain, **Dan Lowe**. Kathleen has been with RTA for many years.

RTA Hospice and Palliative Care was established 1979 to assist individuals and families facing the challenge of life-limiting illness or injury that no longer responds to curative treatment. Currently, there are 7 locations throughout Arizona. The local office in Payson was begun in 1994 and has provided services in patients' homes, skilled nursing facilities, assisted living programs, and hospitals. It recently opened its own inpatient facility at 511 S. Mud Springs Road.

### Philosophy of Care

RTA uses a team approach to providing physical, psychological, and spiritual care to patients and their families during the end of life phase. It neither seeks to prolong life or hasten death, but rather tries to improve the quality of life. The focus is on dignity,

comfort, and patient/family control. Physicians, nurses, social workers, pastors/chaplains, certified nursing assistants and volunteers make up the Hospice team, whose services are available 24-hours a day, 7 days a week.

Services are tailored to individual needs after a careful initial evaluation by a registered nurse.

### Inpatient Facility

The new inpatient Hospice House includes a large family room, kitchen, and patio to create a homelike atmosphere for patients and their families. A grieving room and serenity garden provide space for privacy during stressful times.

### Referral

Anyone can refer a patient for hospice care—friends, family, caregivers, or neighbors. You do NOT need a doctor's referral.

Signs that an individual might need hospice care include: recent unintentional weight loss, frequent ER and Doctor visits, multiple falls and injuries sustained in routine daily life, wounds that do not heal, increased

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## Children's Programs Need Support



Due to budgetary constraints, the many Children's Programs at the Payson Public Library are in need of public support. The Payson Public Library offers quality children's programming all year long, free of charge, to all ages. **Dr. Seuss Family Night, Infant, Preschool and Bilingual Story times, Spy Club Book Club, Family Board Game Night, Video Game Saturdays, Summer Reading Programs, Princess Tea Parties, and our Tiny Tots Christmas** are just a few of the programs we have.

In 2009, in addition to our annual events, we are planning several new, fun and educational activities. **Crafts & More, Jr. Puppeteers, and the Young Authors programs** will lead this year's theme on creativity and self expression. Teens will test their

real world skills during **Teen Survival Week**. Kids of all ages will **"Be Creative" and "Express Yourself" this June during our Summer Reading program**. And local artists are excited about returning to teach different art mediums to kids during our **2nd "Artrageous" Art Program** in November.

None of these programs would be possible without donations from public and private sources.

Every dollar counts! Inquire at the circulation desk, or donate to the Library Friends of Payson, Inc., and specify *Children's Programs* as the purpose for your donation. We'll make sure your gift gets to the right place. And, it's 100% tax-deductible!

**THANK YOU!**



Library Friends President

Linda Lanctot

The Payson Public Library hosts a collection center for:

- Used Eyeglasses Recycling (Payson Lions Club)
- Used Ink Cartridges & Cell Phones (Payson Humane Society)
- St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank
- Payson Supply Line Troup Support



Through the Basha's Supermarket's Shop and Give Program, you helped donate over \$130.00 to the Library.  
**THANKS A MILLION!**

## President's Corner

Have you noticed all the activity at the library lately? At times I have a very specific reason for a visit to the library; dropping off a book or picking up a DVD or book, and during those quick trips I don't take time to really notice all the various activities that are going on throughout the building.

On Thursday, March 26th, I was at the library all day from 9:30 in the morning until after 5 in the afternoon. I now shelve books on Thursday afternoon and our Library Friends had their general meeting that morning. The first thing I noticed as I came to the meeting room door was that there

were four different groups scheduled for the room that day - it is wonderful that our library has a meeting room and that our community is using it night and day.

I was busy getting ready for our meeting and walked by our Friends' Office - there was a Read-Out session going on; outside the Children's Room there was a mom and child doing math flash cards; and in the Young Adult Room there was someone doing research on antiques. There were at least 4 people

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## Library Friends Activities

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### Chef's Extravaganza Brings in \$8182

Our recent Taste of Rim event has increased our dwindling General Fund by nearly \$8200, insuring our continuing support of the Library this year. These funds are used to purchase new books and provide supplies as needed for Library programs not included in its regular budget from the Town and County. Your support of this and other fundraising endeavors is greatly appreciated. We couldn't do it without you!

### Hellos and Goodbyes

Our Board of Directors has bid a grateful farewell to Publicity Chair **Ann Elliott** as she and her husband is moving out of state to be near family. Ann's work on our behalf helped keep our projects and

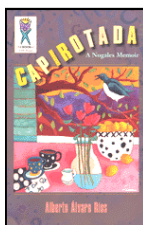
goals in the public eye. Former LFOP President **Donna Hopkins** is moving to Tucson. Donna donated the database software for our office computer and has worked on Programs and other projects through the years. We sincerely thank both of these great ladies and wish them all the best in the future.

Taking Anne's place on our Board of Directors is **Judy Buettner**, Past LFOP President and Past Program Co-Chair. **Kathy Morgan**, former LFOP Board member, has agreed to assist **Susan Campbell** in the maintenance of our membership database. We welcome back these faithful Friends and thank them once again for their service!

## Library News

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### OneBookAZ



The Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records, is once again sponsoring the ONEBOOKAZ program to celebrate literature and promote reading for pleasure. Each year, during the month of April, Arizonans are encouraged to read a selected book and participate in discussions centered around the book. This year, the chosen volume is Capirotada, the personal memoirs of writer Alberto Alvaro Rios. Capirotada is a type of Mexican bread pudding containing a mélange of prunes, peanuts, white bread, raisins, and spices, and 'things people will not tell you', Rios

writes. The stories in the book recount his experiences of living in Nogales (on both sides of the border). Rios is Regents Professor at Arizona State University and is the author of The Curtain of Trees and The Iguana Killer. During April, Rios will appear at many locations throughout Arizona for book signings and discussions. For more information about the OneBookAZ program, visit the website at <http://www.onebookaz.org>.

### Tax Forms Available

Get all the State and Federal forms you need to fill out your 2008 taxes. They're free, and available now at the Library.

## LFOP Bookstore Update

### 'Spring' Into Fitness



April is a great time to start correcting winter's indulgences, so the Used Bookstore is featuring **2 for 1 specials on health, fitness, sports, diet, and self-help books.** We have just what you need to start a new fitness regimen or to breathe new life

into your current routine. Buy one book at our already low regular price, and get the second book of equal or lesser value FREE.

For those of you who enjoy shorter reads, the LFOP Bookstore has a terrific selection of **anthologies.** These volumes cover almost every genre from essays to mysteries. They are also featured at a **2 for 1** special during the month of April.

### Special Price on Romances



Due to many generous donations, the Bookstore is overflowing with **paperback romances.** They are now being offered at the amazing low price of **10 books for \$1.00.**

This is a great opportunity to stock up on steamy summer reading.

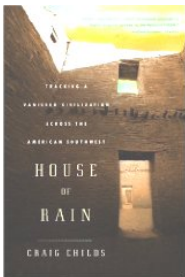
Stop by and browse the Bookstore's ever-changing stock. You never know what treasures might be discovered on our shelves. Remember, every dollar you spend helps the Library through our General Fund, which provides support and supplies for programs not included in the Library's regular budget. Stop in often, have some fun, and help the Library at the same time!

### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer **John Wilson** reports the following fund balances:

General Fund	\$ 29,513
Building Fund	\$ 220,639
Restricted Fund	\$ 9,818

## Rim Country Readers



The public is invited to join the Rim Country Readers at their next meeting, **Wednesday, April 15** at 10:00 am in the meeting room of the Library. Each month, the Readers choose a selected book for discussion. This month, the

Readers have chosen House of Rain by Craig Childs, the story of his search for the ancient Anasazi culture

in the Southwest. Childs has spend a lifetime exploring Arizona and New Mexico, seeking out oral histories and walking hundreds of miles in search of clues to why the once-thriving Anasazi culture dried up and disappeared into the mists of history.

Looking ahead, the May 20 meeting will feature The Thirteenth Tale, by Diane Setterfield.

All Rim Reader meetings are open to the public, and admission is free. Join us for some stimulating conversation and great reading!

### Online Book Sales

This month marks the 144th anniversary of the end of the US Civil War. We are highlighting several collectible books on our online inventory at [www.abebooks.com](http://www.abebooks.com), a network of independent booksellers.

The Volunteer Soldier of America by John Logan (R.S. Peale & Co., 1887) is a presumed first edition, containing over 700 pages including full-page glossy illustrations and a full color frontspiece plate. Very good condition, # 01090003, \$40.00  
Currier & Ives Picture History of the Civil War, Jack Brussel, (1960) is an oversized book with full page prints of C&I lithographs. Good condition, # 03090217, \$35.00

The Civil War Through the Camera, Henry Elson (Mckinlay, Stone, Mackenzie, 1912) is another oversized hardcover containing hundreds of vivid photographs taken during the war, with color reproductions of paintings included. Good condition, # 1108009, \$25.00.

Contact us at [library\\_friends@hotmail.com](mailto:library_friends@hotmail.com) for more information.

## Next Meeting

Make a note for our next meeting, **Thursday, April 23** at 10:30 in the meeting room of the Library. Our special guest speaker is yet to be announced as this newsletter goes to print, but we know it will be an interesting meeting.

Complimentary light refreshments will be served following the meeting.

As always, there is no charge for admission, and the meeting is open to the public.

**BRING A FRIEND!**



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need for oxygen, sleeping too much or too little, or just someone who has 'disappeared' from the community—who is not being seen at social functions any more. There are several other local programs in Rim Country that help residents, including Meals on Wheels, the local Food Bank, faith-based health services, AHCCCS, etc. RTA Hospice strives to partner with these organizations, serving as a 'clearing house' to arrange appropriate assistance based on individual needs.

### Volunteers

As with the Library Friends, the success of RTA Hospice depends upon the great work of its team of volunteers. After focused training sessions, volunteers serve in 3 areas:

- **Personal assistants** make periodic visits, write letters, perform light housekeeping, run errands, provide personal care assistance, and prepare meals
- **Bereavement volunteers** assist with grief support groups, coordinate community resources, write letters, make phone calls, and assist the Bereavement Coordinator.
- **Administrative volunteers** do light office work, assist at community workshops, coordinate support services, and make periodic deliveries.

To find out more about RTA Hospice and Palliative Care, please check out the website at [www.rtahospice.org](http://www.rtahospice.org) or contact RTA in Payson directly at 472-6340.



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with laptops and several more people using computers for research, emails and resume writing.

I went home at noon for lunch and came back for my shelving shift. The DVD area was busy with people selecting movies, there were 4 young moms in the Children's Room with little ones - I think every block was being used plus dinosaurs were roaming the area; when they left that room was immaculate - what great patrons. People came in to reserve books, needed help looking up information about library materials, paid fines and used newspapers and magazines - the library is a real asset for our Payson community. When I left after 5 there was a Read-Out session in the Friends' Office AND the Young Adult Room; there are very dedicated mentors in that program.

It was a busy day and a typical day at the library. Other days have

story time, arts and crafts, book clubs for adults and youth, plus many other activities. This is why the Library Friends of Payson is an important organization. Through our dues and donations we help buy the books and materials our patrons want and need, we buy shelving and computers and we help support our youth programs so our children have a wide variety of experiences. We volunteer in the Bookstore and in the Read-Out and the Home Bound programs, we volunteer in the library doing shelving, manning the front desk, repairing books - the list goes on and on.

So, thank you dear Library Friends for your continued support through money, volunteering, book donations, attending meetings and taking an office on the Board. We couldn't do it without you!

See you at the library,

Linda

## World Wide Wonderful

Check out the following fun websites recommended in the *Bookworm Gazette*, the Library's periodic newsletter (available on the Payson Public Library's website at [www.paysonlibrary.com](http://www.paysonlibrary.com): click on the 'Information' link to get the latest issue):

- [www.trivia-library.com](http://www.trivia-library.com), interesting lists of fun facts
- [www.ipl.org](http://www.ipl.org), a searchable subject-categorized directory of authoritative websites, links to online tests, newspapers, maga-

zines, and more

- [www.lii.org](http://www.lii.org), a research-oriented website offering over 20,000 entries organized into 14 main topics and nearly 300 related topics.



**CHECK IT OUT!**

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