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Today is the 102nd anniversary of the birth of Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss.

The Springfield, Mass.,born author wrote more than 60 children's books, many of which are still read to children all over the world.

Those books have also been turned into films, TV series and specials. Among the most popular are "The Cat in the Hat," "The Lorax," "Horton Hears a Who" and "How the Grinch Stole Christmas."

Though Seuss passed away in 1991, his legacy lives on. He's inspired children's authors for generations, and his meters of poetry are iconic. The Giadone Library, 24655 U.S. 50, will host a Dr. Seuss party at 11 a.m.; the Patrick Lucero Library, 1315 E. Seventh St., at 1:30 p.m.; the Pueblo West Library, 3200 E. Spaulding Ave., at 3 p.m.; and the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave. at 4 p.m. All events will take place today.

For more information, visit pueblolibrary.org.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Aging Initiative

The Action for an Aging Community Initiative will present two focus group sessions to address the fact that by 2030 in Pueblo, the aging population is expected to grow by 70 percent.

The sessions will be

The sessions will be held March 15, from 1-3 p.m., and March 29, from 9:30-11:30 a.m., in the Ryals Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library.

There will be 20-minute presentations followed by a break-down into focus groups, with completion of a multi-question needs assessment survey an ultimate goal.

Seating is limited to 50 people for each date. RSVP at espinozab@pueblocounty.us or sm.chapman@hotmail. com.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Forks over Knives on Monday

Join Parkview Medical Center's Mobile
Nurses as they present a viewing of Forks
Over Knives, a film that explores the benefits of introducing more plants to your diet.

The viewing is free and will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Tom L. and Anna Marie Giodone Library Branch, 24655 U.S. 50 Business.

AT THE LIBRARY

New Books (From the Pueblo City-County Library District)

Fiction

"The Deceivers," by
Alex Berenson*
"Agent in Place," by
Mark Greaney*
"Night Moves: An
Alex Delaware Novel,"
by Jonathan Kellerman*
"Poison," by John T.
Lescroart*

"Down the River Unto the Sea," by Walter Mosley*

"The Masterpiece," by Francine Rivers0

Non-Fiction

"Eloquent Rage: A Black Feminist Discovers Her Superpower," by Brittney C. Cooper* "A Mouth is Always Muzzled: Six Dissidents, Five Continents, and the Art of Resistance," by Natalie Hopkinson

"The Future of Humanity: Terraforming Mars, Interstellar Travel, Immortality, and Our Destiny Beyond Earth," by Michio Kaku*

"Limits of the Known," by David Roberts*

"The Food Explorer: The True Adventures of the Globe-Trotting Botanist Who Transformed What America Eats," by Daniel Stone*

"Educated: A Memoir," by Tara Westover*

*Titles are either available or can be recommended in the eBook format through PCCLD's 3M Cloud Collection.

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hotmail.com.

Pueblo Storytellers. 1-2:30 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., all adults welcome, 543-6234.

Cast Off Knitters, 1-4 p.m., Pueblo West Library, 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., 330-465-0193. Duahla Chase Club 6.20

Pueblo West Writers, meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Pueblo West Library, Jerry King Room A, 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., pueblowestwriters.wix.com/pwwg.

Pueblo Toastmasters, 6 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawl-ings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 415-1176.

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A PARTY FOR THE BOOKS



ABOVE: Kimberly Sewell wears a Cat in the Hat outfit at Patrick A. Lucero Library's Dr. Seuss birthday party, while working on a craft project with Caleb Aguilar, 8, (middle) and Paxton Casias, 7, on Friday.

LEFT: Romeo Villegas, 9, tries his luck at guessing how many goldfish crackers are in a canister during a party celebrating the birth of Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, author of more than 60 children's books.

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COLORADO'S OLDEST DAILY NEWSPAPER/149TH YEAR

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018

NATIONAL CONTEST

We are amp



Midori Clark (right), director of community relations for Pueblo City-County Library District, celebrates with fellow staff members Monday at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Pueblo library district tops in nation

BY ANTHONY A. MESTAS

THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

In a come-frombehind-victory against larger adversaries in a national online voting contest, the underdog Pueblo City-County Library District made a final surge to win the crown of best library in the nation.

More than two months of local cheer-leading and a social media campaign that included help from Gov. John Hickenlooper and even "Miles" the Denver Broncos mascot, Pueblo edged past Williamsburg, Va., to win the Leslie B. Knope Award, named after actress Amy Poehler's character on the NBC show "Parks and Recreation," which distinguishes the

AND IT IS A FINALIST FOR PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

Pueblo City-County Library District has been named as three of 29 finalists for the nation's highest honor given to museums and libraries for service to the community.

Pueblo joins Colorado's Children's Museum of Denver and Mancos Public Library as finalists for the 2018 National Medal for Museum and Library

It is awarded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the government agency that is the primary source

of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 35,000 museums.

"The 29 National Medal finalists showcase the tremendous ability of libraries and museums to serve as vital community resources," said Kathryn K. Matthew, the institute's director. "The Institute of Museum and Library Services is honored to recognize these leading institutions. We congratulate them on the work they are doing across the United States.'

winner the best in the country.

Last week, Pueblo trailed by more than 1,000 votes through Thursday, but was able to pull ahead by 4,000 votes Friday and never looked back. The final vote totals were 19,964 votes for Pueblo; 14,192 for Williamsburg.

"This is just an awesome thing for Pueblo and we have really been overwhelmed with all of the support and kind words about our library district and the community," Midori Clark, director of community relations for the library

district said Monday.

"Pueblo already has so many great things in it. It's nice to know that we will also now be known for having the best public library and it's something we can all take a lot of pride in."

SEE LIBRARY, 2A

LIBRARY/from page 1A

Pueblo won in general votes and the Twitter poll. Williamsburg General Library won the selfie contest. In addition, the organi-

In addition, the organization now will register Pueblo for ELGL 19, an annual event about local government, and appear on the organization's GovLove podcast.

"I knew that the library

"I knew that the library district was a gem. I wanted the world to know. That's why I threw its name into the hat," said Laura Savage of the Pueblo West Metropolitan District. Savage nominated the library district in December.

"This is amazing. A lot of the credit goes to the staff at the library. They have worked nonstop for three weeks," Savage

"I've been on loan to the library district for the past three weeks. I had hoped to make it somewhere in one of the rounds. I honestly did not know that we would go up against State College (in Pennsylvania) and then Lawrence, Kan."

Savage, a graduate of the University of Kansas, said the competition became personal.

"My uncle works for the city of Lawrence. We just kept promoting Pueblo City-County Library District," she said. "The governor tweeted

"The governor tweeted about it and then we got Miles, the Broncos mascot, to help. This was amazing for us."

Hickenlooper tweeted on Feb. 21: "Good luck to @pueblolibrary! They're one of four entries left in the #ELGLKnope contest for #BestPublicLibrary!"

Miles wrote, "Colorado! @pueblolibrary is in the running to win the #ELGLKnope contest! Let's give them a boost and support our Colorado libraries."

The social media campaign led by Savage and the library district saw numerous local residents, businesses and politicians voicing their support for the library

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ane Rawlings – Publisher, President rad Slater – General Manager teve Henson – Managing Editor Jean Francisco – Production Director Jouglas Brooks – IT Director Ves Townsley – Circulation Director district online. Clark said voting really kicked in Friday and that is what made the difference.

"That was the first time that we were ahead in the general voting," Clark said.

Sen. Leroy Garcia, D-Pueblo, and state Rep. Daneya Esgar, D-Pueblo, were involved in solicit-

ing votes.
"Our staff has been in overdrive for the last two weeks really, just trying to get everybody excited about what was happening." Clark said

ing," Clark said.
Clark said people
voted online and some
voted through paper
ballots. Others did it on
Twitter.

"Our employees are really proud of where they work and they are excited today, too," Clark said

Clark said the district understands that it isn't the most prestigious award for library services in the world, but it was something that brought the community together.

"It is really a tremendous thing to have on our civic resume and also it was just a really fun way for people to be proud about the library," Clark said.

"All of the things that have come in over the last several weeks have just really made us grateful to be serving this community and really have helped us understand the impact we have in the lives of people."

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Clark said she was impressed by the comeback from the underdog.

"We are the underdogs

"We are the underdogs in many ways. We are not the largest community, but we find ways to be great," she said. "We don't have the

"We don't have the kind of community where every household has the internet or one where every household has a computer or a way to even vote in this contest. Our community figured it out. Many people were on Twitter for the first time. There were some who had never taken a selfie."

Pueblo began as one of 116 libraries seeking the title of America's best and emerged victorious last month in its semifinal match-up against the public library in Lawrence, Kan., pulling out a hard-fought win in a close matchup with 5,271 votes compared to 5,113 votes for Lawrence.

To get to the final four, the Pueblo library beat State College in Pennsylvania, 2,289 votes to 1,838 votes. anthonym@chieftain.com

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EDITORIAL

A cliffhanger endi

HEW. FOR a good portion of last week, it appeared the unthinkable might happen. The Pueblo City-County Library District was in danger of losing in the final round of the Best Public Library in America contest to Williamsburg, Va.

Trailing by more than 1,000 votes through last Thursday, Pueblo's supporters made a late surge on the final day of voting to prevail 19,964 to 14,192. Had our community lost, this editorial would have made allegations about Russian interference and voter fraud. (Actually, we did have a concern about the balloting ending at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time Friday. That seemed to give our competitors two more hours of voting that we were denied simply because of geography.)

No matter. The Pueblo library district won fair and square. The coveted Leslie B. Knope Award, named after actress Amy Poehler's character on the "Parks and Recreation" TV show, belongs to the Steel City.

"This is just an awesome thing for Pueblo and we have really been overwhelmed with all of the support and kind words about our library district and the community," Midori Clark, the district's director of community relations, said Monday. "Pueblo already has so many great things in it. It's nice to know that we will also now be known for having the best public library and it's something that we can all take a lot of pride in."

Indeed. This competition featured 116 libraries from around the country, some of them in communities much larger than ours. Pueblo County residents obviously

wanted the award more than the people who live in all of those other places.

There are a lot of people who deserve credit for this award, starting with the library district staff, which campaigned hard for Pueblo on social media and elsewhere. Local lawmakers Sen. Leroy Garcia and Rep. Daneya. Esgar did their part to drum up support for Pueblo, as did Gov. John Hickenlooper. Even Miles. the Denver Broncos mascot, got into the

Special thanks goes to Laura Savage of the Pueblo West Metropolitan District, who nominated Pueblo's library district for the award back in December. Savage made a wise move by nominating the entire district, rather than focusing on just one library.

And, of course, all the people who took time to vote have our sincere gratitude. It's great that so many people cared enough about our local libraries to make this happen.

That's not the only good news the library district has had recently, either. The district is one of 29 finalists for the 2018 National Medal for Museum and Library Service. The medal is considered the nation's highest honor for museums and libraries that provide excellent service to their communities.

As the saying goes, it's an honor just to be nominated for such a prestigious award. And after last week's success, it isn't hard to imagine that our library district could emerge victorious again.

Of the many things of which local residents can be proud, our libraries should rank high on the list.

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women at the 208 Outstanding Women Awards
luncheon at noon Friday
at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100
E. Abriendo Ave.
For more than 30 years
the library has recognized Pueblo County
residents who have
made important contributions to the community, Awards are granted
but have been added to the community and the community.
The 2018 honorees
and their nominators
include:



Julie Arellano
Nominated by Remax Associates
Arellano, the
Officer Manager of
Remax Associates for
17 years, is a Pueblo
native and a Centennial High School graduate.



Lori Berndt Nominated by Remax Associates An administrative assistant for Remax Associates, Berndt is from Adak, Alaska, a very small town located on Adak Island.



Gloria Bledsoe
Maddux
Nominated by the
Sangre de Cristo
Arts & Conference
Center
Maddux is a 41-year
member of P.E.O.
Chapter DU, served
eight years on the
board of the Sangre
de Cristo Arts Center
and is past president
of the arts associates.



Mary Jo Carter Nominated by Rosemount Muse-um Auxiliary Carter, a found-ing member of the

emount Museum Women's Auxiliary was its president for two years and is currently a member of the Rosemount Board of Directors.



Donna Conley Nominated by Friends of Pueb-lo City-County Library District Conley has volunteered at

the Friends of the Library used book-store, Books Again for thousands of hours over nine years.



Karen Cooper Nominated by Remax Associate

A native of Water-boro, S.C., Cooper has been an admin-istrative assistant at Remax Associates for 10 years.



D'Amico is an active member of the League of Women Voters who has participated in voter registration; was executive di-rector of a battered women's shelter; and served on the Illinois State Board of Ethics, among other activities.



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Fran Dodd McCo-nnell Nominated by Foot-notes Dance Club

An alumna of NYU and the NYU Art Student League, McConnell founded Footnotes Dance Club and was critical to returning ballroom dancing to the region.



Kelly E. Gehlhoff
Nominated by The I
WILL Projects
Gehlhoff holds a
doctorate of management specializing in
social and environmental sustainability,
and since November
2016 has been the
program manager of
the Indoor Farming
Information Zone. Information Zone.



Lyndell Gist
Gairaud,
Nominated by
Pueblo City-County Library District
Board of Trustees
A native of Effingham, Ill, Gairaud
holds a bachelor's
degree in dance and holds a bachelor's degree in dance and has been a Cub Scout leader, Band Boost-er, Dance-A-Robix teacher and five-year member of the Pueblo library board of trustees



Lorraine Gonzales Nominated by the Pueblo Symphony Gonzales was born

Nominated by the Pueblo Symphony Gonzales was born on a farm in Kit Carson and attended Colorado Women's College. She is an active supporter of the community's arts programming



Stephanie Hager

Nominated by Friendly Harbor Hager holds a Bachelor of Science in psychology from CU-Boulder, and to day works at Friend-ly Harbor as a peer specialist, among other efforts on behalf of mental health programming.



Kimberly Hinkle

Nominated by Junior League of Pueblo
Hinkle has been a member of the Junior League of Pueblo League of Pueblo since 2012, and has held leadership posi-tions on the fundrais-ing committee and as interim community impact chair, among others.



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Tami Horvat
Nominated by
Delta Kappa Gamma-Beta Chapter
A Pueblo native,
Horvat has been an educator for the past 12 years, teaching kindergarten at Eva Baca Elementary School.



and Frijole Festival at El Pueblo History

Josette Jaramillo Nominated by Southern Colorado Equality Alliance A graduate of East High School, CSU-Pueblo and Adams State College, Jaramillo works at the Pueblo County Department of Social Services as a senior case worker in the foster care unit.



Gertrude Lipich Jordan
Nominated by the
Pueblo City-County
Library District
The late Jordan was
known as a "Woman of
Steel" who worked for
the CF&I Rail Mill for
over 30 years, and who
was one of the original
women hired in 1943.



Sarah Joseph Nominated by the Southern Colorado Press Club Joseph, who holds a bachelor's in environ-mental science and a master's degree in a master's degree in public administration, is the public infor-mation officer for the Pueblo City-County Health Department and oversees all extenal communications.



Rose Jubert Nominated by Jeff Chostner Jubert is the law office manager for the district attor-ney's office. She is a graduate of Centen-nial High School, and CSU-Pueblo, where she earned a bache-lor's degree in busi-ness management.



Kris Kennedy
Nominated by Pueblo West Women's
League
Kennedy received an
associate's degree in
automotive technology
from Wyoming Technical Institute, and
secretary of the Pueblo
West Women's League.

Lillenthal Nominated by Jeff
Chostner
Lillenthal has
vorked at the district
autorney's office for
autor





Mary Linder

Kanda Misiaszek Nominated by Remax Associates Misiaszek has worked at the Remax Associates Team Home for more than four years. She has also been the accounts receivable clerk, taught swim and aquatics les-sons and been a com-puter instructor, among Mary Linder
Nominated by
the Friends of the
Pueblo City-County Library District
For more than nine
years, Linder has
volunteered her time
to helping and encouraging shoppers
at the Friends of the
Library used book
store, Books Again. puter instructor, among other undertakings.



Ramona Montoya

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Nominated by Pueblo Cooperative Care
Center

Born and raised in
Pueblo Montoya and
her late sister opened
the doors to Cooperative
Care Center of Pueblo in
March 2012. The Co-op
feeds over 36,000 people each year and offers
a variety of services to
anyone in need.





Chelsea Moore Nominated by Jeff

Cheisea Moore
Nominated by Jeff
Chostner
Moore joined the
district attorney's
office in 2007 and
is now the deputy
chief investigator.
A former Pueblo A former Pueblo police officer, she is a graduate of Pueblo South High School and CSU-Pueblo.



Shelly Moreschini Nominated by the Colorado State University-Pueblo

Colorado State
University-Pueblo
Foundation
Moreschini has
served as director of the
President's Leadership
Program at CSU-Pueblo since July 2004 and
is involved with the
Colorado Leadership
Alliance. She is a graduate of the university
and of Regis University.



Dominique Mundt Nominated by **NAMI Southeast** Colorado

Mundt is an Oper-ation Iraqi Freedom Veteran who brought to Pueblo experience working with high-risk children and mental disorders. She became a facilitator for the Connection group.



Megan Parnell Nominated by CSU-Pueblo, Center for Teaching & Learning

A native of Tulsa, Okla., Parnell re-ceived her undergraduate degree in English in 2015. She is the ad-ministrative assistant and office manager for The Center for Teaching & Learning at CSU-Pueblo.



Lindsay Pechek Nominated by Newborn Hope, Inc. and the cookbook committee

Pechek, a native of Overland Park, Kan., attended Northwest Missouri State Univer sity, earning a degree in public relations in 2003. She is president of the board of directors and co-chair of the events serving the Pueblo community for Newborn Hope, Inc.



Marilyn Penley Nominated by Rosemount Museum

Penley was born in Northwood, Iowa, and graduated from business college. She has been volunteering at Rose-mount Museum since 1991.



Julie Rodriguez Nominated by the Pueblo Library Foundation

A native of Pueblo, Rodriguez joined the Black Hills Energy team in 2013. She has more than 20 years of community relations, communications, fund raising, marketing and management experi-ence, and is a graduate of Leadership Pueblo, the National Hispana Leadership Institute and Harvard JFK School of Government Executive Leadership Program.



Carol Rooney Nominated by Pueblo City-Coun-ty Library District Board of Trustees

After receiving her master's of library science degree, Rooney worked at the Pueblo City-County Library District as a technology trainer, satellite librarian, Barkman manager, Pueblo West manager and readers and reference manager at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, among others.



Tracy Samora Nominated by Andrea Aragon & CSU-Pueblo

Samora has been the director of alumni at CSU-Pueblo for nearly 10 years. Her volunteer work includes Pueblo Rotary #43, the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, the Pueblo Community Health Center Foundation board and the Latino Chamber of Commerce, among others.



Mary Sandoval Nominated by El Pueblo History

Museum Sandoval is a court-appointed special advocate for children, working to secure a safe and healthy environment for abused or neglected children. She also has volunteered for El Pueblo History Museum in many facets for more than 4 years.



Nominated by Friends of the Pueblo City-County Library District

A native of Pueblo and graduate of the University of Colora-do Denver, Schwartz is the program and events manager for the Pueblo City-Countv Library District. She has been an active member of Junior League of Pueblo for four years, serving on the communications and membership com-



Ernestine Thomas Nominated by SCORE

After a successful career as a postmaster, Thomas began volunteer service that includes mentoring and counseling hundreds of small business owners in the community. She volunteers for SCORE and has served in every office in the chapter and for the district.



Wanda Toepper Nominated by Friends of the Pueblo City-County Library District

Toepper has donated numerous items and thousands of hours of time to the Pueblo City-County Library District and to Books Again.



Heather Trost Nominated by Pueblo Home of Heroes Association

Trost graduated from Centennial High School in 1990 and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in com-munication from the University of Col-orado at Colorado Springs in 1995. She currently owns Scripture Supply & The Greatest Gift.



Adina Vega lominated by NAMI Southwest Colorado

Vega was born in Aurora and raised in Trinidad. She is the outreach coordinator, case manager and prevention specialist at Pueblo Rape Crisis Services, and a volun-teer for the National Alliance on Mental Ill-ness (NAMI) Southeast Colorado Affiliate and for the Sierra Club.



Rubi Zoulek Nominated by Pueblo Home of Heroes Association

A graduate of the University of Texas, Zoulek is a marketer and community liaison for Human Touch Home Care. She coordinated volunteers during the 2017 Congressional Medal of Honor Convention.

Regan Foster





AT THE LIBRARY

New Books From the Pueblo City-County Library District

Fiction

"The Bad Daughter," by
Joy Fielding*

"Green," by Sam Graham-Felsen*

"The Hush," by John
Hart*

"One Last Breath," by
Lisa Jackson*

"Sirens," by Joseph
Knox*

"Sunburn," by Laura
Lippman*

Non-Fiction

"The Cadaver King and the Country Dentist: A True Story of Injustice in the American South," by Radley Balko*

"One Goal: A Coach, a Team, and the Game That Brought a Divided Town Together," by Amy

Bass*

"In the Enemy's House: The Secret Saga of the FBI Agent and the Code Breaker Who Caught Russian Spies," by Howard Blum*

"Can't Nothing Bring Me Down: Chasing Myself in the Race Against Time," by Ida Keeling*

"I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer," by Michelle McNamara*

"A Dangerous Woman: American Beauty, Noted Philanthropist, Nazi Collaborator: The Life of Florence Gould," by Susan Ronald*

*Titles are either available or can be recommended in the eBook format through PCCLD's 3M Cloud Collection.

CALENDAR

TODAY

Knit and Crochet Table Gang, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Thurston Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 251-1938 or jpf6476@ hotmail.com.

Origami Odyssey, meeting, 2-4 p.m. today, shamrocks will be folded, Idea Factory of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., all welcome, 544-6420.

Pueblo Storytellers, 1-2:30 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., all adults welcome, 543-6234.

provided, 545-8900. Cast Off Knitters, 1-4 p.m., Pueblo West Library, 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., 330-465-0193.

League of United Latin American Citizens, 5:30 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, Thurston Room, open to the public, 547-3829 or 250-5140

SATURDAY

Arkansas Valley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, meeting, 10:30 a.m., speaker Kit Corson, Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo AVE.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Constitutional Advocates to meet

The Pueblo County Constitutional Advocates will discuss issues about the income tax scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Barkman Library, 1300 Jerry Murphy Road. For more information, call Rick at 948-4356 or go

to pcca.us

DIVERSIONS

Film screenings

The InfoZone Theater at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., will host a pair of film screenings in the coming days.

The first, "Harmonium" is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday as part of the library's independent film series. This Japanese film with English subtitles captures the collapse of a seemingly ordinary Japanese family. "Harmonium" is unrated.

The second, "Wonder," will be screened beginning at 6 p.m. Monday. Based on the bestselling novel of the same name, this family friendly film tells the story of August Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters fifth grade and attends a mainstream elementary school for the first time.

After the film, representatives of Health Solutions, the Pueblo Police Department and other community partners

will join Gabe "Kuya"
Charboneau for a panel
discussion during which
parents and children
can discuss bullying and
other issues.

Refreshments will be served. To register, visit stopthebullyingwonder. eventbrite.com.

For more information on either screening, call 719-562-5656.

'Sharing Spoken Word' opens

The year of sharing the spoken word, including poetry, reading and performance opportunities for the Pueblo community, begins at 6 p.m. Thursday at the InfoZone Theater in the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Coordinators are searching for the widest range of topics and presenters possible, including but not limited to the LGBTQ community, African-American, Native American, European-American, Asian-American and Chicano performers of any age. Youth and seniors are especially invited, and political topics are welcome. Profanity is not allowed.

On Thursday, the works of poet Pablo Neruda will be featured. Coordinators are also searching for featured readers of others' poetry/spoken word.

Open mic and other programming on poetry are planned for four sharing dates. Each program has 12 slots available. The other scheduled dates are June 14, Sept. 6, and Dec. 6.

For further information, or to reserve an open mic slot, call Deborah Martinez Martinez at 561-0993.

LOCAL BRIEFS

InfoZone plans 'Wonder' event

The InfoZone Theater at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library will screen "Wonder" at 6 p.m. Monday at 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Based on the New York Times bestseller, "Wonder" (PG) tells the story of August Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters fifth grade, attending a mainstream elementary school for the first time.

After the film, representatives from Health Solutions, the Pueblo Police Department and other community partners will join Gabe "Kuya"

Charboneau for a panel discussion during which parents and children may talk about bullying and other related issues that school-age children face.

Refreshments will be provided.

To register online, go to stopthebullyingwonder.eventbrite.com.

For more information, call 562-5656.

Appreciation luncheon

The Pueblo Police Department will hold a volunteer appreciation luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library in the Ryals Room on fourth floor, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

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Library district recognized at statehouse

Gov. Hickenlooper chimes in on national recognition

BY ANTHONY A. MESTAS

THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

Friday was dubbed "Pueblo City-County Library District Day" by Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper.

The recognition came after Rep. Daneya Esgar asked for a governor's proclamation honoring the library district for being named best library in the nation by Engaging Local Government Leaders earlier this month.

After more than two months of local cheerleading and a social media campaign that included help from Hick-



Daneya Esgar

Watch the video >> www.chieftain.com

enlooper, Pueblo beat Williamsburg, Va., to win the Leslie B. Knope Award, named after Amy

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Poehler's character on the NBC show "Parks and Recreation," which distinguishes the winner the best in the country.

In addition, the organization will now register Pueblo for ELGL 19, an annual event about local government, and appear on ELGL's GovLove podcast,

"This was amazing. I watched the competition online and helped support it and I helped get the governor and lieutenant governor to re-tweet it and get the votes and we one," the Pueblo Democrat Esgar said Friday.

In a tweet Friday,

Hickenlooper said:
"Honored to recognize the incredible achievement of the @ PuebloLibrary for winning the #ELGLKnope Best Public Library in the Nation! 3.16.2018 is officially proclaimed as Pueblo City-County Library District Day! Thank you @Dlesgar & @Leroy_Garcia for championing Pueblo!"

Esgar read the proclamation Friday on the floor of the Colorado House of Representatives.

Some of the library district's staff also were recognized at the proclamation reading.

"They received a standing ovation. It

was really nice," Esgar said.

"It was really neat to celebrate the library district on the floor of the House today.

She thanked Hickenlooper for the proclamation.

"I was really excited to help brag about Pueblo (during the online competition) and it was great to see all the positive energy stirred up by people really wanting to stand up for something amazing in Pueblo. It was great to see everyone bragging about Pueblo," Esgar said. anthonym@chieftain.com

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CALENDAR

welcome for a \$3 fee. Pueblo Storytellers, 1-2:30 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., all adults welcome, 543-6234.

Pueblo Toastmasters, 6 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 415-1176.

Cast Off Knitters, 1-4 p.m., Pueblo West Library, 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., 330-465-0193.

SATURDAY

Lacemakers of Southern Colorado, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lamb Library, 2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.

> Pueblo County Beekeeping Association, meeting, 6:30 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

TODAY

Knit and Crochet Table Gang, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Thur-ston Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 251-1938 or jpf6476@ hotmail.com.

AT THE LIBRARY

New Books (From the Pueblo City-County Library District)

Fiction

"Lake Silence," by

Anne Bishop*

"The Wild Robot Escapes," by Peter Brown*

"As You Wish," by Jude

Deveraux*

"Asymmetry," by Lisa

Halliday* .

"Closer Than You
Know," by Brad Parks*

"The House of Broken
Angels," by Luis Alberto

Urrea*

Non-Fiction

"All the Pieces Matter: The Inside Story of The Wire," by Jonathan P.D. Abrams*

"Frontline Turkey: The Conflict at the Heart of the Middle East," by Ezgi Basaran

"Broad Band: The Untold Story of the Women Who Made the Internet," by Claire L. Evans*

"Food: What the Heck Should I Eat?," by Mark-Hyman M.D."

"This Messy Magnificent Life: A Field Guide," by Geneen Roth*

"Agatha Christie: A Mysterious Life," by Laura Thompson*

*Titles are either available or can be recommended in the eBook format through PCCLD's 3M Cloud Collection.

LOCAL BRIEFS

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Sierra Club sets talk

The Sierra Club's
Sangre de Cristo Environmental Awareness
Presentation is scheduled from 6 to 7 p.m.
March 29 at the Barkman
Library, 1300 Jerry Murphy Road.

The talk is to inform the public about helping planet Earth. Information will be presented about climate change, the future of renewable energy and the things that can be done to promote sustainable practices.

The event is free and open to the public.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Documentary set on wolves

A free screening of the wolf documentary "Canis Lupus Colorado," sponsored by the Sierra Club Defenders of Wildlife and the Rocky

Mountain Wolf Project, will take place from 6:30-8:30 p.m. April 9 at the InfoZone theater at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library. 100 W. Abriendo Ave.

It will be followed by a panel discussion featuring wildlife experts working toward wolf recovery in Colorado. Refreshments will be available.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

'Dolores' to be shown

The story of labor leader Dolores Huerta will be retold on Wednesday via the PBS Independent lens film "Dolores."

The 98-minute documentary was acquired by the Pueblo City-County Library for one showing, at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the InfoZone Theater of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave. The event is free and

open to the public. The film is in English and Spanish with English subtitles

History tells us Cesar Chavez transformed the U.S. labor movement by leading the first farm workers union. But missing from this story is his equally influential co-founder, Dolores Huerta, who tirelessly led the fight for racial and labor justice alongside Chavez, becoming one of the most defiant feminists of the twentieth century.

AT THE LIBRARY

New Books (From the Pueblo City-County Library District)

Fiction

"The Flight Attendant,"
by Chris Bohjalian*
"Sometimes I Lie," by
Alice Feeney*
"Let Me Lie," by Clare
Mackintosh*
"Chicago," by David
Mamet*
"Only Child," by Rhiannon Navin*
"The Parking Lot
Attendant," by Nafkote

Non-Fiction

"Box of Butterflies: Discovering the Unexpected Blessings All Around Us," by Roma Downey*

Tamirat*

"The Duchess: Camilla

Parker Bowles and the Love Affair That Rocked the Crown," by Penny Junor*

"The Common Good," by Robert Reich*

"I've Been Thinking...: Reflections, Prayers, and Meditations for a Meaningful Life," by Maria Shriver*

"Skin in the Game: Hidden Asymmetries in Daily Life," by Nassim Nicholas Taleb*

"Picasso and the Painting That Shocked the World," by Miles Unger*

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The Pueblo Chieftain Pueblo, Colorado

CALENDAR

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Factory of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 544-6420

TODAY

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DIVERSIONS

Women Ordnance exhibit

The exhibit, "She's a WOW: Women Ordnance Workers in Pueblo, CO 1942-1945" will be on display from now until April 25 in the Info-Zone lobby on the fourth floor of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

The exhibit focuses on the need for women at the Pueblo Ordnance Depot, and the work they performed there during World War II.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Libraries closed on Easter

All branches of the Pueblo City-County Library District will be closed Sunday, in ob-servance of Easter. Normal operating hours will resume Monday.