

## PEOPLE SPEAK

## What is your New Year's resolution?

**Elvis Falke**  
**Pueblo**  
**Job seeker**

"To have me and my son under the same roof. Last year, my wife and kids were in a car accident and my wife died, so I am fighting to get my son back."

**Paige Sorenson**  
**Pueblo**  
**Student**

"To be able to lose weight and get through school"

**Marriyanne Hobson**  
**Pueblo**  
**Student**

"I want to graduate with good grades."

**Richard DeLeon**  
**Pueblo**  
**Construction worker**

"Mine is to stop smoking"

**Alex Valle**  
**Pueblo West**  
**Graphic artist**

"I really don't get into that, it seems more like a tradition than anything."

**Catherine LaDuke**  
**Pueblo**  
**Student**

"I hope to finish school"

**Tim Beltran**  
**Pueblo West**  
**Musician**

"To be a better musician"

**Ari Valenti**  
**Pueblo**  
**Stay at home mom**

"I need to be more active physically."

Asked Thursday at Robert H. Rawlings Public Library.

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## Is it a crime to ignore police orders to stop while driving?

**Manny Romero**  
**retired steel worker**  
**Pueblo**

"I believe that you should stop with caution and be alert because there are people that are posing as police officers."

**B.J. Enloe**  
**retired social worker**  
**Pueblo**

"It's a crime to ignore police. It could get you in a lot of trouble. I respect the police."

**Stanley Vigil**  
**construction manager, motivational speaker**  
**Pueblo**

"Yes it is. The poor guys have a job to do. There's a bunch of weirdos out there."

**John Mark Wiley**  
**writer, dishwasher**  
**Pueblo**

"Generally, yes. However, in a town like Pueblo, one must give some leeway and understanding to the level of mental illness here."

**Kristanna**

Clausen

mom

Pueblo

"I think you

should pull over."

**Nancy Romero**  
**housewife**  
**Pueblo**

"Yes I do (think so)."

**Chuck Ray**  
**unemployed**  
**Pueblo**

"Yeah, Of course it is."

**Franki Hamic**  
**student, East High School**

"Yeah, it's a crime."

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## Do you think the economy will improve in 2012?

**Cynthia Pasion**  
Student  
Pueblo

No, I don't. It doesn't seem like it's getting better. Prices are going up. Where are the jobs? I just lost my job today.

**William Holubek**  
Retired  
Pueblo

No. Maybe a slight increase but it's going to be rough for a long time.

**Don Riat**  
Retired  
Pueblo

Yes. All indications are things are getting better. I think business is picking up.

**Karen Patterson**  
Retired  
Pueblo

Yes. The indicators all seem to be improving, unless Europe has problems.

**Carol Pierce**  
Administration  
Pueblo

There will be more jobs, not in Pueblo but in other places.

**Daniel Espinoza**  
Student  
Pueblo

Yeah. A lot of things are getting better. Gas prices are down.

**Candace Montoya**  
Student, retail  
worker  
Pueblo

Yeah. Because we got raises.

**Kenneth Loudy**  
Retired  
Pueblo

Definitely better for me. The things they've done the last three years have helped.

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## Should the dropout age be raised to 18 years old?

**Louise Mitchell**  
Cosmetologist  
Pueblo

I heard President Obama say that in his speech the other night and it's a great idea. It should be mandatory.

**Ben Mayfield**  
Tattoo artist  
Pueblo

We need to find a way to make kids want to stay in school. Telling them they can't drop out will only make them want to.

**Andrea Cassidy**  
Homemaker  
Pueblo

I'd support that. Too many kids drop out today and you really can't expect to find a job anymore without a college degree.

**Scott Marshall**  
Security guard  
Pueblo

Yes. I was one of those kids who would have benefited from staying in school, although ultimately, I did graduate.

**Brandy Burbidge**  
Homemaker  
Pueblo

I agree with that. It's an important first step in helping these young people become adults.

**Salvatore Torres**  
Nonprofit  
executive  
Pueblo

It's a good idea. It will give each of them more opportunity in life. They're still kids, after all.

**James Bueno**  
Retired Army  
Pueblo

If they drop out, they'll never get anywhere in life. They'll be dumb as rocks. We should keep them in school.

**Susan  
Shelinbarger**  
Preschool teacher  
Pueblo

No, I don't think it would do any good. You can't force kids to listen or learn.

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### Fiction

- "Lost Memory of Skin: A Novel," by Russell Bank
- "The Sense of an Ending," by Julian Barnes
- "1Q84," by Haruki Murakami
- "Daughter of Smoke and Bone," by Laini Taylor
- "Salvage the Bones," by Jesmyn Ward
- "Before I Go to Sleep: A Novel," by S.J. Watson

### Nonfiction

- "The Complete Book of the Home," by Pottery Barn Home
- "Now Eat This! 100 Quick Calorie Cuts at Home"; "Now Eat This! 100 Quick Calorie Cuts On-The-Go," by Rocco DiSpirito
- "Guinness World Records 2012"
- "The Destiny of a Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine, and Murder of a President," by Candice Millard
- "Refresh Your Home: Simple Projects and Tips to Save Money, Update, and Renovate," from the editors of the Family Handyman
- "The Everything Panini Press Cook Book," by Anthony Tripodi

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- "Dead Man's Grip," by Peter James
- "Copper Beach: A Dark Legacy Novel," by Jayne Ann Krentz
- "Gideon's Corpse," by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child
- "The Bird Sisters: A Novel," by Rebecca Rasmussen
- "Neverwinter," by R.A. Salvatore

### Nonfiction

- "The Great American Ale Trail: The Craft Beer Lover's Guide to the Best Watering Holes in the Nation," by Christian DeBenedetti
- "Top Screwups Doctors Make and How to Avoid Them," by Joe Graedon and Teresa Graedon
- "Rome: A Cultural, Visual, and Personal History," by Robert Hughes
- "The Complete Sun Tzu for Business Success," by Gerald A. Michaelson and Steven Michaelson
- "Girl Hunter: Revolutionizing the Way We Eat, One Hunt at a Time," by Georgia Pellegrini
- "1,000 Places to See Before You Die," by Patricia Schultz

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"Love in a Nutshell," by Janet Evanovich and Dorien Kelly  
 "Gun Games," by Faye Kellerman  
 "Deadline," by Fern Michaels  
 "Forever Rumpole: The Best of the Rumpole Stories," by John Mortimer  
 "Private: #1 Suspect," by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro  
 "Harlem Renaissance: Five Novels of the 1920s," edited by Rafia Zafar

**Nonfiction**

"A Soldier's Sketchbook: From the Front Lines of World War II," by Joseph Farris  
 "Steam: An Enduring Legacy: The Railroad Photographs of Joel Jensen," by Joel Jensen  
 "Mourad: New Moroccan," by Mourad Lahiou  
 "Listomania: A World of Fascinating Facts in Graphic Detail," by The Listomaniacs  
 "The Big Show: Charles M. Conlon's Golden Age Baseball Photographs," by Neal McCabe and Constance McCabe  
 "Look, I Made a Hat: Collected Lyrics (1981-2011) with Attendant Comments, Amplifications, Dogmas, Harangues, Digressions, Anecdotes and Miscellany," by Stephen Sondheim

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"The Rope: An Anna Pigeon Novel," by Nevada Barr  
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 "Need You Now," by James Grippando  
 "The Berrybender Narratives," by Larry McMurtry  
 "The Unreal Life of Sergey Nabokov," by Paul Russell

**Nonfiction**

"201 Great Ideas for Your Small Business," by Jane Applegate  
 "The Big Jump: Lindbergh and the Great Atlantic Air Race," by Richard Bak  
 "The Source: Journey Through the Unexplained," by Art Bell  
 "Anti-Aging Cures: Life Changing Secrets to Reverse the Effects of Aging," by James Forsythe  
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**CITY / REGION REPORT****Library helping patrons keep tabs on due dates**

By JOHN NORTON  
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

For some library patrons, the way they find out they have an overdue book is a phone call or letter in the mail telling them they owe a fine.

There's now a way to avoid that pain for people who don't save or remember where they put their checkout receipts — a little "elf."

The Pueblo City-County Library District on Sunday began offering Library Elf, a service that will send out reminders of when items are due.

Midori Clark, director of community relations for the library district, said, "There are several options for early notification.

"You can select when your overdue reminder will be sent to you. The email may be sent to your email address from one week prior, up to or on the due date.



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"You can also elect to have text messages sent to your cellphone, but those

will only be delivered on the due date. You can also have holds information sent via text, on the day your hold is available."

To sign up for the service library patrons have to

go to the library website and put in their email address, library card number and personal identification number, which is their 10-digit birth date.

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## COLORADO

## Former library director dies

Library officials learned this week of the death of a former director who oversaw the Pueblo library as it became a regional service and then a district.

Robert Roehr died Nov. 26 in West Roxbury, Mass., at the age of 82.

He was director of what's now the Pueblo City-County Library District from 1967 to 1980, when he resigned to take a new job in his native St. Louis.

During his time in Pueblo, Roehr worked on a major expansion of the library, doubling the

number of items to 200,000.

He later worked as assistant library director for the Weymouth (Mass.) Public Library before retiring.



Robert Roehr

An obituary in a local newspaper asked that donations in his memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal St., Watertown, MA 02472.

—John Norton

## Rose challenges Cordova for District 2 commission seat

**Beulah Republican wants rematch after 2008 loss.**

By PETER ROPER  
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

She made it official Tuesday, but anyone who follows Pueblo County politics has known for several years that Debbie Rose, a Beulah Republican, was going to challenge county Commissioner John Cordova to a rematch this year for his District 2 seat.

Back in November 2008, Rose had a slight, 200-vote lead over Cordova by the



CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/JOHN JAQUES  
Debbie Rose announces her candidacy for Pueblo County commissioner Tuesday at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library.

time the counting was suspended on Election Day. After several thousand additional provisional

ballots were counted in the following days, Cordova was awarded the victory by a 1,064-vote margin. It was

a turnaround that local Republicans distrusted at the time and haven't forgotten.

"I helped Debbie win last time she ran," fellow Republican Mike Salarino half-joked to the crowd of about 100 Rose supporters and observers at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library on Tuesday. "Until they found a few more ballots to count."

That drew some groans, laughter and a smattering of applause.

Rose is well-known locally. She and her husband, Mike, own the Beulah General Store. She was elected to the Pueblo County District 70 school board in 1997 and served

until 2005. She is a member of the San Isabel Electric Association cooperative board and Tuesday she credited the utility — and indirectly herself — with keeping electric rates stable over the past three years, an obvious comparison to the series of unpopular rate increases that city residents have received from Black Hills Energy.

In announcing her campaign, Rose promised to

scrutinize and review county spending, adopt policies to make the county "business friendly" and work for job creation. To that end, she unveiled her own help-wanted website for job postings Tuesday at [www.roseworksforpueblo.com](http://www.roseworksforpueblo.com).

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## Used bookstore bountiful for library



Marv Jones shelves books Tuesday at the Books Again store where he has been a volunteer for the past four years.

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The store also hosts two book sales where folks may walk out with a bag full of books for a few bucks.

Most of the proceeds from the store go back to the Pueblo City-County Library District through the Friends of the Library in the form of grants for special programs and scholarships for people

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pursuing their master's degrees in library sciences.

Stuart said Books Again is able to funnel between \$65,000 and \$70,000 to the Friends of the Library every year.

"It's been a world of difference," Library Director Jon Walker said.

Walker said that since the store opened in 2005, the revenue stream from the Friends of the Library to the district has multiplied, allowing the district to implement and improve its services to the community.

In addition to the scholarships, Walker said the money helps fund the library's summer reading program in which 20,000 kids participated last year.

The money also has gone to offset brick and mortar costs.

Walker said the funds

I think any of us had hoped for in the early days of the store," Walker said.

Stuart said the tough economy may be a contributing factor to the brisk sales at the store.

People looking for bargains on books can find them in spades at Books Again, where a new paperback might cost \$2.

Stuart also said the store fills a niche for people who recently discover an author and start looking for that writer's previous works.

Stuart said the store only works because of a staff of about 25 volunteers and an inventory made up completely of donated books.

"It's also a great service because it recycles these books that otherwise would be thrown out," he said.

Books Again funds

programs,  
scholarships,  
capital needs.

By JEFF TUCKER  
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

Books Again used bookstore's story is similar to other businesses in a struggling economy: flat sales over the past three years.

But the plot twist to the store's story means a boon to the Friends of the Library and the Pueblo City-County Library

Effort works  
because of  
volunteers,  
donated books,  
officials say.

District.

"For the past three years, we've been able to hit our goals of \$111,000 to \$112,000," said Jim Stuart, past president of the Friends of the Library and interim store manager for Books Again.

Stuart said that while sales at the store have

leveled out, they're at the highest level in its history.

The store was created six years ago and replaced an annual sale the Friends of the Library would host to raise money.

The year-round store generates about five times as much revenue and Stuart said the numbers are even more remarkable since the store sells its books for next to nothing.

"It's always amazing to me when you consider we're selling these books for 75 percent off retail," Stuart said.

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Cordova, who voted  
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even though he had voted  
against the two projects.

The Commissioners also  
approved a plan of finance  
which included the issuance  
of El Paso County bonds to  
allow Goodwill to purchase  
the old Toys R Us building,  
located at 360 Dillon Drive.  
The complicated financing  
authorized El Paso County  
to proceed. The local  
municipality has no obliga-  
tion in the final financing  
but needed to approve the  
project since some of the  
affected stores are in Pueblo  
County.

A resolution was  
approved by the  
Commissioners, joining a  
national effort to amend the  
Constitution. At the core of  
the matter was a finding in  
Citizens United vs. Federal  
Election Commission  
before the Supreme Court  
in January, 2010 in which  
corporations were defined  
as "natural persons" in  
regard to free speech. The  
resolution was spoken to by

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## Library District Includes Plans for the Valley

By Anthony DiMatteo

Greenhorn Valley View

Book lovers cross your fin-  
gers. If the Pueblo City-  
County Library District is  
successful, the Greenhorn  
Valley may become the  
recipient of a brand spanking  
new library in the next sever-  
al years.

"We've had informal talks.  
Everything is very prema-  
ture," said David Valdez,  
director of the Colorado City  
Metropolitan District. Valdez  
expressed excitement that  
Colorado City was chosen so  
soon for a library district  
fundraising target. Locations  
on the East side of Pueblo  
and the St. Charles Mesa  
were recently chosen as well.  
"We were on the radar," said  
Valdez, "but it was more  
long term, four or five years  
from now."

Tentatively, library district  
members are scheduled to  
meet with the CCMD board  
and the interested public in  
an open workshop on  
January 31. Although reason-  
ably hesitant to share too  
many details in the earliest  
phases of the process, Valdez  
said he has toured potential  
sites in Colorado City with  
Library District Executive  
Director Jon Walker.  
"There's only so much land  
to put a building that size,"  
said Valdez.

In an email sent to Susan

Ingraham of Volunteers For  
Change, Walker confirmed:  
"The library district is plan-  
ning to establish a full-serv-  
ice public library in the  
Greenhorn Valley area of  
southern Pueblo County. The  
present thinking is to build a  
new facility specifically  
designed as a modern public  
library, featuring current  
information technologies,  
public meeting and study  
space, plus plenty of books  
and other library materials."

The library district founda-  
tion is embarking on a  
fundraising campaign  
throughout 2012 in support  
of the new library.  
Eventually, if fundraising is  
successful, the CCMD board  
will have to decide what  
piece of land they'd like to  
donate to the project. A land  
donation would serve as a  
matching effort toward the  
new facility's funding.

"This building would be in  
Colorado City, but it would  
be a Greenhorn Valley facil-  
ity for all," said Valdez. "I  
don't anticipate this becom-  
ing much of a dissention in  
the community. But you  
never know." When it comes  
to new projects of this scope,  
Valdez said folks usually  
support the idea, but some-  
times feel torn about loca-  
tion. "They might say, 'We  
want it, but we don't want it  
in that spot.'"

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