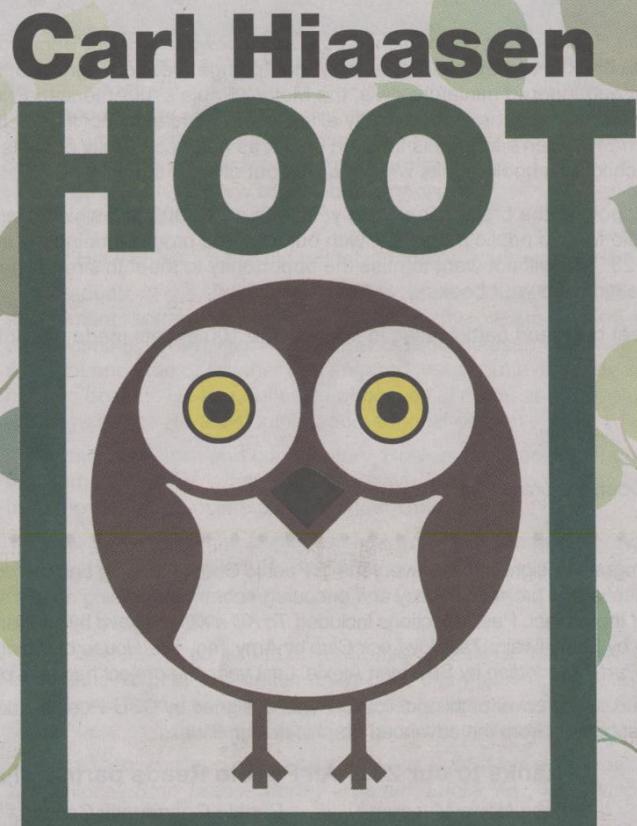


Pueblo City-County Library District presents:



All Pueblo Reads 2011

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The All Pueblo Reads Resource Guide was distributed in the *Pueblo Chieftain* as an insert on Wednesday, Sept 28, 2011.

Check it out!

Library expanding electronic device inventory

By JOHN NORTON
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

For more than a decade, people unable to afford computers or Internet access, or who just didn't want to make the investment for something they might use only occasionally, have relied on public libraries to shop online, handle email or do research.

Starting Friday, Pueblo library cardholders will be able to do that anywhere they can pick up a Wi-Fi signal with a laptop computer or Apple iPad they now may check out from two of the branches where the devices will be available.

The Pueblo City-County Library District has purchased 44 Acer laptops and 20 second-generation iPads along with a dozen Barnes & Noble Nook electronic book readers that cardholders can use in the library, or check out and take home.

The devices will be available at the Robert Hoag Rawlings and Barkman branches.

"This won't be quite as simple as checking out a book off the shelf," said Jon Walker, executive director of the library district.

Besides being a library cardholder with no outstanding fines, borrowers must agree to strict terms. The laptops and iPads may be borrowed for seven

days and fines are steep — \$20 a day. The borrower will be responsible for hundreds of dollars in replacement costs if they don't return the devices.

The libraries have been lending out Nooks for about two months with no problems, so he's optimistic people will be careful and bring the equipment back, Walker said.

The Nooks may be checked out for three weeks with an option for one renewal. The overdue fine is \$1 a day.

The Nooks, which are Barnes & Noble's answer to Amazon's Kindle, are pre-loaded with electronic books, Walker said.

Walker said the new program to loan out electric devices is just another example of how libraries have evolved.

"Wired technology hit libraries about 15 years ago," he said. "I think libraries did a pretty good job of mastering wired technology."

Walker pointed out that in the Pueblo branches there were more than 300,000 log-ons last year.

Wireless devices for reading electronic books have been around for more than a decade but it's only been in the past couple of years that readability and an infrastructure to provide content have been improved.

"It was about a year ago

that it really started to hit hard," Walker said, as Kindles, Nooks, iPads and other tablet devices were hot Christmas gifts. "The library district is starting to respond to what we see as a tipping point."

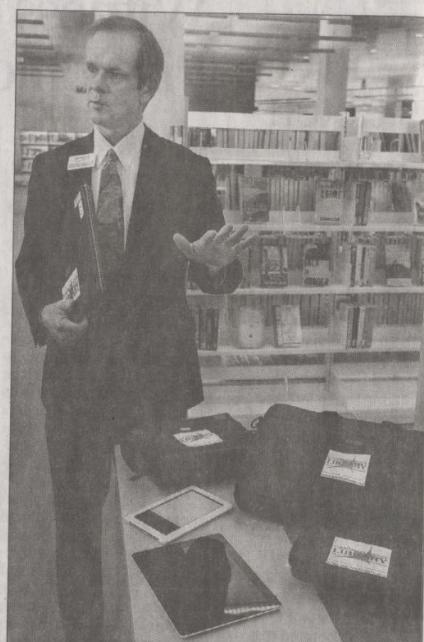
Earlier this year, the Pueblo library district was one of a number in Colorado to receive grants from the U.S. Department of Commerce under its Broadband Technology Opportunity Program. Pueblo's libraries received a bit less than \$100,000 and the Friends of the Library and Lamb Foundation chipped in about \$10,000 apiece, Walker said.

That funding paid for the hardware that will be kept in the "New Information Technology Centers" at the two branches. Walker said the Rawlings and Barkman branches were chosen because they are nearer to neighborhoods where people are less likely to have computers at home.

"We want people to be able to access library information regardless of socio-economic means," he said.

Walker said that offering the three types of devices can fill a number of needs. "We feel like these devices are going to impact libraries in many, many ways."

For someone who just wants to read a book and doesn't miss the feel of



CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/CHRIS MCLEAN

Library Executive Director Jon Walker talks about the electronic devices that soon will be available to be checked out from the Robert Hoag Rawlings and Barkman branch libraries.

paper pages, the Nook will be a convenient way of checking out best-sellers and other offerings.

The iPad does everything a Nook or Kindle can do and offers computer programs and other applications, while the laptops are loaded with Microsoft Office and other productivity programs.

People even may order books on their own to read on the Nooks or iPads, but

if they do they won't be able to keep them. Even the library won't get them, Walker said, because just like the wired PCs in the branches, software erases all files between log-ons to prevent congestion.

That's something that laptop borrowers need to bear in mind, he added, and make sure they save documents to an external drive if they want to keep them.

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CSU-Pueblo dean named to library board

Rhonda Gonzales, dean of library services at Colorado State University-Pueblo, has been named to the Pueblo City-County Library District Board of Trustees.

She replaces Katherine Frank, a former faculty member at the university who left to take a dean's job at a university in Indiana.

Gonzales has 22 years of professional experience working in

libraries.

She began her career as a catalog technician at Colorado College and has served as CSU-Pueblo's dean of library science since 2003. Gonzales has held various positions including

reference/instruction librarian, substitute reference librarian and systems librarian.

Gonzales has a master's degree in library and information science from Simmons College in Boston.

She was appointed by a committee made up of two City Council members and two county commissioners.

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A 'Hoot' of a read

Children's award-winning literacy novel is this year's All Pueblo Reads book.

By JOHN NORTON
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

This year, Pueblo readers will have a real hoot with the book chosen for All Pueblo Reads.

For seven years, the library district has encouraged as many Puebloans as possible to read the same book in October and take part in more than three weeks of related activities.

This year's selection is "Hoot" by Carl Hiaasen, the Miami Herald reporter and columnist who has turned out a number of novels that depict some of the craziness of South Florida, often with recurring characters like the former environmentalist governor now living as a one-eyed, roadkill-eating hermit in the Everglades.

"Hoot" is a departure from Hiaasen's typical fare — recall the book and film "Striptease," that marked Burt Reynolds' movie comeback.

"Hoot," like Hiaasen's "Flush" and "Scat," was written for young readers. It's the story of an effort by a group of middle school students to stop a development that's threatening a colony of burrowing owls. The book was a 2003 Newberry Honor Book Award-winner for children's literature.

Jon Walker, executive director of the library district, said, "It is our hope and belief that this book will resonate with the

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residents of Pueblo County.

The Friends of the Library are supporting the project again this year with a

\$10,000 gift, which has made it possible to have Hiaasen in Pueblo for two public programs. He'll be at the Booklovers Blacktie Ball at the library scheduled for 7 p.m. Oct. 22 and a public presentation the next morning at 10 a.m. where he will speak and sign books.

He joined the Miami Herald when he was 23 as a general assignment reporter and later joined its investigative team.

He's had a regular column since 1985.

He began writing novels in the early 1980s with his good friend, the late William D. Montalbano and in 1986, published his first solo work, "Tourist Season," inspiring Jimmy Buffett's song "The Ballad of Skip Wiley."

Buffett also produced the film version of "Hoot," which will be shown in the Robert Hoag Rawlings' InfoZone Saturday at 2 and 4 p.m.

The All Pueblo Reads kickoff will take place in the library's Youth Services area from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday where the Junior League will present a book bash.

More details about related activities over the next three weeks are available from the library district's newsletter on its website.

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Carl Hiaasen

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PUEBLO, COLORADO

City's love affair with books touted

Pueblo ranked No. 7 in national poll of avid readers.

By GAYLE PEREZ
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

Pueblo is one of the top places for book lovers, according to a popular online ranking site.

The city recently was ranked seventh in the nation as a top city for book lovers as ranked by Livability.com.

Portland, Ore., was listed the No. 1 place for readers by Livability, which showcases the best places to live

in America by providing an in-depth look at the most liveable cities.

Pueblo was the only city among the top 10 in which a library — the Robert Hoag Rawlings Library — was highlighted as the best place for reading material.

All other ranked cities were noted for a bookstore or a number of bookstores in the community.

"The vast increase in the use of the library in recent years, I think, is what makes this community a little



Jon Walker



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Fredrina Atencio of Pueblo browses through books at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Library on Thursday. Livability.com ranks Pueblo among the top 10 cities in the U.S. for book lovers and specifically cites the Rawlings Library.

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MIKE SWEENEY

TOP TEN

Cities with the most book lovers:

1. Portland, Ore.
2. Kansas City, Mo.
3. San Jose, Calif.
4. Charlottesville, Va.
5. Iowa City, Idaho.
6. Traverse City, Mi.
7. Pueblo
8. Coral Gables, Fla.
9. Spokane, Wash.
10. Charlotte, N.C.

Source:
Livability.com

SEE BOOKS, 2A

different," said Jon Walker, director of the Pueblo City-County Library District. "Certainly in our community, the library has become a very popular place."

Walker said the diverse

material available in the library and the commitment of the library staff to provide material that readers want both contribute to the increased use of the library.

"We've worked really

hard to gear our collections to meet what people want and that has paid dividends for us," he said.

Livability.com listed

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Check this out: Library lending electronics

Nooks, laptops, iPads at Center for New Information Technology.

By NICK BONHAM
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

Nooks, laptop computers and iPads began leaving the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library on Saturday after a ribbon-cutting debut of the Center for New Information Technology.

More than 50 people attended, including Puebloan and Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia.

While some may struggle to fathom the availability to take home the high-dollar electronic devices with the swipe of a library card at the Rawlings or Barkman libraries, people once had similar thoughts about libraries lending books, said library board director Jim Stuart.

"The first books were extremely valuable. Only the rich owned them.... But eventually they started checking out those books," Stuart said, asking the crowd to remember



Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia, speaks with Sharon Morris after Saturday's debut of the Center for New Information Technology at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library. Morris is, the director of library development and innovation at the Colorado State Library.

Saturday's historical moment.

The Center for New Information Technology was funded through a federal grant from the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program. Pueblo received about \$95,000 in program funds and the Friends of the Library and the Lamb Foundation each raised

\$10,000.

"To me," Garcia said, "it says a lot about Pueblo. It's a community with a great history, but it needs to look forward."

Sharon Morris, director of library development and innovation for the Colorado State Library, called the Pueblo City-County Library District a

leader in the state and said the new technology now can be used by people who have little Internet access.

"People needed new technology. People were lining up to use computers at libraries across the state, and there weren't enough," she said.

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AT THE LIBRARY

Fiction

"The Perfect Suspect: A Catherine McLeod Mystery," by Margaret Coel
 "Goddess of Vengeance," by Jackie Collins
 "My Soul to Take: a Novel," by Dua Tananarive
 "The Ballad of Tom Dooley," by Sharyn McCrumb
 "Trackers: a Novel," by Deon Meyer
 "Headhunters: A Novel," by Jo Nesbo

Nonfiction

"The Casserole Queens Cookbook," by Crystal Cook and Sandy Pollock
 "Why Marx Was Right," by Terry Eagleton
 "The Sookie Stackhouse Companion," by Charlaine Harris
 "American Dreamers: How the Left Changed a Nation," by Michael Kazin
 "What It Is Like to Go To War," by Karl Marlantes
 "The Golden Empire," by Hugh Thomas

AT THE LIBRARY

Fiction

"Plugged," by Eoin Colfer
 "The Widower's Tale," by Julia Glass
 "Prey," by Linda Howard
 "Train Dreams: A Novella," by Denis Johnson
 "Pirate King," by Laurie R. King
 "The Map of Time: A Novel," by Felix J. Palma

Nonfiction

"Childhood Under Siege: How Big Business Targets Children," by Joel Bakan
 "Prevent and Reverse Heart Disease," by Caldwell Esselstyn Jr.
 "Doctor, Your Patient Will See You Now: Gaining the Upper Hand in Your Medical Care," by Steven Z. Kussin
 "The Mindset Lists of American History: From Type-writers to Text Messages, What Ten Generations of Americans Think is Normal," by Tom McBride and Ron Niep
 "Ghost in the Wires: My Adventures as the World's Most Wanted Hacker," by Kevin Mitnick and William L. Simon
 "The Day After the Dollar Crashes," by Damon Vickers

BOOKS

AT THE LIBRARY

Fiction

"Miracle Beach," by Erin Cello
 "The Resurrection of Nat Turner: Part One — The Witness," by Sharon Ewell Foster
 "Becoming Marie Antoinette," by Juliet Grey
 "Devious: A Bantz and Montoya Novel," by Lisa Jackson
 "Flash and Bones," by Kathy Reichs
 "A Moment in the Sun," by John Sayles

Nonfiction

"Nothing to Lose, Everything to Gain: How I Went From Gang Member to Multi-millionaire Entrepreneur," by Ryan Blair
 "Be Honest: And Other Advice from Students Across the Country," edited by Ninive Calegari
 "Innovation You: Four Steps to Becoming New and Improved," by Jeff DeGraff
 "A Stolen Life: A Memoir," by Jaycee Dugard
 "The 12 Secrets of Highly Successful Women," by Gail McMeekin
 "Paradise Lust: Searching for the Garden of Eden," by Brook Wilensky-Lanford

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Fiction

"Legends of Shannara: The Measure of the Magic," by Terry Brooks

"Bye Bye, Baby: From Joe DiMaggio to JFK, They All Loved Her . . . But Who Killed the Blonde Bombshell?," by Max Allan Collins

"The Race: An Isaac Bell Adventure," by Clive Cussler and Justin Scott

"Heartwishes: An Edilean Novel," by Jude Deveraux

"Cat in a Vegas Gold Vendetta," by Carole Nelson Douglas

"Kill Me If You Can," by James Patterson and Marshall Karp

Nonfiction

"A Place of Remembrance: Official Book of the National September 11 Memorial," foreword by Michael R. Bloomberg

"The 5 Languages of Appreciation in the Workplace: Empowering Organizations by Encouraging People," by Gary Chapman and Paul White

"Just One Catch: A Biography of Joseph Heller," by Tracy Daugherty

"Bobblehead Dad: 25 Life Lessons I Forgot I Knew," by Jim Higley

"Skyjack: The Hunt for D.B. Cooper," by Geoffrey Gray

"The Long Night: William L. Shirer and the Rise and Fall of the Third Reich," by Steve Wick

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● **InfoZone News Museum,**
Robert Hoag Rawlings Public
Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.,
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Monday through Thursday, 9
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PEOPLE SPEAK

Gail Contreras
Puebloan, native
of Rocky Ford
Hair stylist

"Because my family are farmers, I ate one (Wednesday) and so far I feel fine. I just say wash it real good."



Jimmy Lee
Pueblo
Retired

"It's too good not to eat. Probably just wash it better. I'm not going to stop eating something I love because of something stupid."



Sherry Levinson
Pueblo
Massage therapy
student

"I do eat cantaloupe but I'm not eating it now! It's very unfortunate for the farmers in Rocky Ford."



**Justin
Manzanares**
Pueblo
Former college
baseball player

"I believe it's people who don't know how to clean their fruit. People with weak immune systems; people are sicker than the fruit."



Juliette Mondot
Trinidad
Documentarian

"The Rocky Ford hysteria! I just think it's a shame for Rocky Ford — and now they're saying it's not even the source."



Kaci Rodriguez
Pueblo
Wife

"Not eating it for a while!"



Cody Britton
Pueblo
Landscaping

"It's crazy because I've been eating cantaloupe for a while."



Matt Rodriguez
Pueblo
Lube tech

"Just not going to eat it for a while."

Asked Thursday at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library.

PEOPLE SPEAK

Are you a Denver Broncos fan and what is your prediction for the season?



Sammy Arguello
Pueblo
Broil/line cook
"Yeah, I'm a Bronco fan and I think they'll win 12, give or take a few. I hope."

Anthony Angel
Pueblo
Job seeker
"They'll lose. I'm a Tennessee fan."

Brandi Strawn
Pueblo
Job seeker
"I don't watch a lot of football. I'm a Steelers fan, but, (I don't) really watch football."

Jose Acosta
Pueblo
Hip-hop hypeman
"I'm a Raiders fan, ever since I was a little kid. But, really, Al Davis is killing us. I loved that game last season, though, 59-14."

Joe Budd
Pueblo
Cook
"Hopefully they'll get to the playoffs."

April Velador
Pueblo
Registered nurse
"I don't know a lot about football."

Caren Lloyd
Sacramento
Computer enthusiast
"I don't know anything about them. I only know about the California teams."

Kera Johnson
Pueblo
Goal Academy student
"I'm a Raiders fan."

Asked Thursday at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library

PEOPLE SPEAK

What is your opinion of the city's proposed changes to the directions of Downtown streets?



Phillip Howell
Truck driver
Pueblo
"Obviously, it will create chaos for a lot of people."

Sarah Clark
Homemaker
Pueblo
"I don't like the idea. I don't care for all the ways to get off Downtown streets now, especially Fourth Street."

Ernest Mortley
Retired truck driver
Pueblo
"I've seen traffic Downtown during a certain time of day get highly congested and I think it's a good idea to separate the traffic flows, especially on Fourth Street."

Rosemarie Gaona
Certified nursing assistant
Pueblo
"Not a good idea. It's hard enough getting off Fourth Street already. It's been that way forever."

Bill Mead
Social worker
Pueblo
"If it helps the flow of traffic and parking, it's good. It will be confusing at first, but if it helps, great."

Bessie Hart
Disabled
Pueblo
"That's a lot of messing with streets. It will cause more trouble and more hassles for drivers."

John Boucek
Retired
Pueblo West
"If the experts think it's fine, let them go ahead and do it."

Tara Bernal
Unemployed
Pueblo
"It's going to confuse a lot of drivers. I see no good in it."

Asked Thursday at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library.

