

PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT
Report of the Executive Director
Submitted to
The Library Board of Trustees
January 28, 2016

Foundation Center Recognition

The Foundation Center awarded a certificate of recognition for PCCLD's Southern Colorado Community Foundation/Doris D. Kester Nonprofit Resource Center located at the Rawlings Library. PCCLD's service is recognized for connecting nonprofits in the community to the resources they need to thrive since 2005. The letter written by Bradford K. Smith, President of Foundation, forwarding the certificate reads: "Congratulations on Pueblo City-County Library District's years of service as a Funding Information Network partner! The successful growth of Foundation Center's reach and impact is the direct result of you, one of our valued partners. Your dedication and commitment serve as an inspiration to hundreds of other partners around the globe, our very own staff, and me personally. As you celebrate a significant accomplishment in your tenure with us, we would like to present you with this certificate as a way to illustrate our sincere gratitude for the contribution you have made to Foundation Center's success. Thank you for all that you do. Here's to many more years of partnership."

Leadership Institute

The Pueblo Library Foundation has established a new program focusing on developing leadership skills for girls. The Leadership Institute also will serve as a fundraising opportunity for the foundation. The first class is scheduled for 2016 with a number of girls having applied to participate. Fundraising in support of the program has been successful with a number of scholarships donated by local philanthropic individuals and groups, including the Friends of the Library.

Legal Clinic

Andrew Bregar (Lamb Library Manager) has worked with a statewide legal assistance organization to establish a free legal clinic for those who have no attorney. The sessions currently are at the Lamb Library, where volunteer attorneys answer questions, help complete forms, and explain processes and procedures for all areas of civil litigation including family law, property law, probate, collections, appeals, landlord-tenant law, small claims, protective orders and more. The attorneys work via remote computer link and, while the volunteer attorneys do not represent individuals in the program, they do provide information. The first event in January had an overflow booking. The program, if successful, may later expand to other library locations.

Government Finance Officers Association Recognition

PCCLD's comprehensive annual financial report for 2014 was awarded a certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). PCCLD received GFOA's highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting. The certificate for PCCLD was endorsed by the director of the GFOA, Stephen J. Gauthier.

Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy

Kirsten Dees (Early Literacy Librarian) has been elected to serve as a member of the Colorado Library for Early Literacy Steering Committee. This is a wonderful honor for Kirsten, and an excellent opportunity for her to contribute to and learn from an accomplished group of early literacy professionals.

Annual Financial Audit

The preliminary 2015 financial audit work was completed by the team from Swanhorst & Company LLC in December working with the PCCLD Finance Office team. The work will continue onsite at PCCLD in March with the goal of completing the work early this summer.

PCCLD Collection Recognized for Top Ten Colorado Artifact

PCCLD was recognized in 2015 for the first edition of *The Colorado Chieftain* newspaper printed June 1, 1868. This item is part of the Special Collections at the Rawlings Library. It was donated to PCCLD in 2013 by *The Pueblo Chieftain*. This is the third consecutive year that PCCLD artifacts have been honored for the historic significance of items within its holdings. PCCLD received notification of the current award from Dana Echohawk, Project Director, Colorado Collection Connection. More information is available at <http://collectioncare.auraria.edu/content/1st-edition-colorado-chieftain>.

PCCLD Nominated for the Public Library Association/Harvard University Family Research Project

PCCLD has been nominated to participate in a project sponsored by the Public Library Association and Harvard University to build capacity of public libraries in supporting and promoting family engagement. The project seeks to facilitate best practices in public libraries around family engagement including tools and ideas developed during the project. Michele Jeske, City Librarian at the Denver Public Library, nominated PCCLD for this opportunity, which fits especially with our recently adopted strategic goal to “focus on the whole family at all stages of life through specific library programming and collections.”

www.pueblolibrary.org/sites/default/files/2015_strategicplan.pdf

We expect to hear about the status of our nomination in February 2016.

Check Out Colorado State Parks

Jill Deulen (Director, Technical Services & Collection Development) is guiding PCCLD's participation in a new program under development at this time to offer Colorado State Parks passes for checkout from our local libraries. The program should be in place by summer 2016 with two park passes available from each library for checkout to the public. The passes can be used at any of 42 state parks for free entry into the parks.

Festival of Trees

PCCLD participated at the Festival of Trees this year held at the Union Depot and sponsored by the Latino Chamber of Commerce and United Way. This annual event is held every year to raise funds for United Way. Our tree was a popular one named “Fun at the Library.” Maria Smyer (Hispanic Resource Coordinator) coordinated the library's submission.

RAWLINGS LIBRARY

Special Collections & Museum Services

- December total attendance was 2,943 with 49,429 attendance for all of 2015, which is a slight increase over 2014's total of 49,263.
- Special Collections filled 129 Document Delivery requests, and 577 items from the collection were counted used by customers in December.
- Volunteers are working on a number of projects including processing the Bill Buckles and Princess Yolanda archival collections, oral history transcription and metadata, scanning materials from John Korber's collection, and creating vital statistics indexes.
- *The Pueblo Chieftain* Digitization Project has had about one-thousand pages of *The Colorado Chieftain* digitized. Pages from June 10, 1869 to May 22, 1873 were digitized by Steelworks Center archival staff as part of a special collaboration.
- Special Collections & Museum Services programs included 37 films attended by 277 people, World AIDS Day Reception with 41 attending, *Making Empanaditas* with 55, *Digital History* program with thirty, and World Dolls reception with 22.

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- Planning continues with consulting group Experience Design on work to update the exhibit/video wall in the InfoZone. This work will continue into 2016.
- The Pueblo AIDS Quilts were on exhibit in the InfoZone, and an ethnic dolls exhibit was on exhibit on the 3rd floor in December. Hospice also displayed their “Spirit of ‘45” Hospice Quilt in honor of the official end of World War II on the 3rd floor.
- Megan Petersen (Museum Coordinator) submitted a successful grant to the American Library Association to host the exhibit *Native Voices: Native Peoples’ Concepts of Health and Illness* developed by the National Library of Medicine. The date of the exhibit is to be determined.
- Tammi Moe (Librarian Archivist) will be presenting at the Public Library Association Conference in Denver in a session on PCCLD’s oral history digitization project.

Readers Advisory & Reference

- David Hartkop (Technology Trainer) built a 24-foot geodesic structure outfitted with a spinning “crystal” sculpture with interactive sound and video used with a Leap Motion Controller. Since the exhibit opened in mid-October, 2,493 patrons have used it.
- A new weekly training series *Grandfolks Online* focusing on computer needs of older people is now offered. It includes e-mail, Facebook, personal photography, web searching, and Pinterest.
- David Hartkop (Technology Trainer) has been working with his maker group to design home-built 3D printers. The requirements to make the 3D printer have been posted online at www.thingiverse.com/thing:1063222 and www.thingiverse.com/thing:1212687. As of the end of 2015, the pages have been viewed 4,169 times and the build files have been downloaded 350 times. David has been maintaining a wiki on related sites: <http://reprap.org/wiki/Libro> and <http://reprap.org/wiki/LibroStruder>. David also has been working to incorporate some new materials into the Arduino Electronics classes, including conductive paint from Sparkfun.com and stepper motors, and virtual reality with Google Cardboard programming.
- David is working with Derrick Mason (Idea Factory Librarian) on new programming featuring several new technologies in The Idea Factory. The equipment includes digital paper cutter, conductive electronic paint, sewing machines, 3Doodlers, video camera and lighting, VHS to DVD conversion, vinyl record to MP3 conversion, and new 3D printing equipment at the Lucero Library, including Makerbot 2x and iSense 3D scanner.
- Hispanic Resource Center exhibitions in December featured artists Bob Craig and Patti Leota Genack exhibiting Southwest and Native American art. Patti Genack’s glass beads and jewelry were on display in the Hispanic Resource Gallery.
- Spanish classes attendance was 22.
- Bilingual stories for children attendance was seven.
- A special meeting for the Veterans for Peace group on December 18 had thirty attend.
- Seven volunteer tutors provided approximately sixty hours of individual and group tutoring for the Adult Literacy Program. There are currently eleven active students in the program. Two students are currently on the wait-list for a tutor.
- David Hartkop (Technology Trainer) and Derrick Mason (Idea Factory Librarian) have been working with Central High School’s Senior Math Modeling classes the last four months. The curriculum of Math Modeling applies the concepts of Math to real world applications, and PCCLD is supporting with group discussion, handouts, Android, Apple and Google apps and YouTube videos in both The Idea Factory and the computer training room.
- December’s College Showcase event had five people attend. Derrick Mason (Idea Factory Librarian) conducted the workshop. Derrick is in discussions with University of Phoenix-Colorado Springs, Trinidad State Junior College, and CSU-Pueblo to hold college showcases in 2016.
- There are currently 39 Homebound customers who used 54 items in December delivered by 14 volunteers.

Youth Services

- Minecraft programs had sixty participants with 21 participating at Barkman; eighteen at Rawlings, eight and Giodone and thirteen at Greenhorn Valley.

- There were a total of 127 participants in December in SPELL (Supporting Parents in Early Literacy through Libraries).
- Nutcracker in a Nutshell was featured at Rawlings and Pueblo West in December. The Sangre de Cristo Arts Center performed a shortened version of the Nutcracker Ballet for 94 at Rawlings and 77 at Pueblo West.



Kids make rock trolls at Frozen Festival on December 30.

- Shrinky Dink Ornaments programs were offered for the holidays with 177 participants. Beulah Satellite had thirteen, Greenhorn Valley sixteen, Pueblo West 35, Giodone 24, Lamb sixteen, Rawlings forty, Lucero 24, and Barkman nine.
- In December, 65 tweens made snowflakes and built igloos out of marshmallows. Giodone had eleven participants, Pueblo West fifteen, Barkman twelve, Rawlings thirteen, Lamb two, and Lucero twelve.
- Teens made DIY gifts from duct tape in December. A total of 43 participated with five at Lamb, five at Rawlings, fifteen at Pueblo West, four at Giodone, four at Greenhorn Valley, three at Barkman, and seven at Lucero.
- Families made crafts and played games based on the Pixar movie, *Frozen*, on December 30 with 157 participating at the Rawlings Library.
- Families made ornaments and cards during Christmas week at the Rawlings Library. There were 23 participants on December 21, 34 on December 22, and six on December 23.
- One-hundred people worked on Gingerbread Construction at the Rawlings Library on December 19.
- Rawlings hosted a Preschool Dance Party on December 19 for twelve.
- Rawlings offered Lego Mania on December 12 and 26 with six participants.
- Rawlings offered Thursday Hangouts on December 3 and December 31 for 28 participants.
- Rawlings held *Read Dog, Read!* on December 11 for sixteen participants.
- Tweens learned how to make their own computer games through computer programming with an *Hour of Code* on December 10 with fifteen participants.
- The Imagination Chapter met on December 5 and 19 with eleven tween participants.
- A Teen Movie Night held on December 1 had twelve participants.
- The Teen Advisory Board met on December 8 with three participants.
- Teens learned how to make their own computer games through computer programming with an *Hour of Code* on December 8 with two participants.
- HOMAGO. In this freeform program, teens choose what to do out of the Rawlings Library's many on-hand activities with nine participating.



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- Storytimes held in December had 160 attending Baby Storytime; 53 attending Time for Tots; 113 attending Preschool Storytime; and 232 attending Storytime at the Y.
- South Mesa Elementary visited for a tour and storytime on December 3 with 72 participants.

BARKMAN LIBRARY

- Paula Pryich (Librarian) had fifteen attendees for Preschool Storytimes at the library, 38 for the Sugar Cookie decorating program, 55 for the passive Holiday Craft week with snowflakes, tees, and Christmas bookmark, and 163 in attendance at outreach programs at Belmont Elementary, Building Blocks Preschool, and CSU-Pueblo Preschool.
- Rachel Salazar (Library Specialist) had 37 attendees for Preschool Storytimes at the library and Signing Stories.
- Barkman staff-hosted programs included: 71 attended “Santa Visits the Library”; twelve attended the Book Discussion group hosted by Linda Pacheco (Customer Service Rep); 21 attended Minecraft Madness Lock-In hosted by Cory Reimers (Customer Service Rep) and Matthew Parlier (Materials Handling Technician); 31 attended the Crafty Needles Group; 51 attended the Holiday Movie Marathon and Afternoon Movies; seventy attended the Adult Christmas Coloring program and the passive Adult Coloring programs.

GIODONE LIBRARY

- Paula Pryich (Librarian) provided outreach programming at the Ascension Preschool.
- Kayci Barnett (Giodone Library Manager) worked to create a program with a community member to offer preschool Music and Exercise time on Wednesday mornings.
- Lorina Messenger (Library Specialist) presented a balloon animal program at El Pueblo History Museum on December 11.
- The STEAM theme for December was magnetism, and we made and threw 100 LED throwies onto the outside of the building! Thirteen attended.



GREENHORN VALLEY LIBRARY

- Time for Tots monthly attendance was 44, Preschool Storytime monthly attendance was ten.
- Sharon Rice (Library Specialist) provided storytimes for 29 students on December 2.
- The Greenhorn Valley Tale Waggers helped thirteen children practice their reading skills this month.
- Passport Kids traveled to Russia on December 11, where fourteen participants helped bake *Пряники* (Russian Honey Cakes), painted traditional lacquerware spoons and made paper nesting dolls while watching *Peter and the Wolf*. We also learned about holiday traditions and the importance of the New Year’s celebration in Russia.
- Theia Bravo (Librarian) hosted a special holiday sleepover on December 11 when eleven participants dressed their favorite stuffed animal in pajamas and brought them to spend the night in the library.
- Get Your Game On was attended by seven participants on December 17.
- Jim Montalbano, Director of Colorado City Parks and Recreation, joined us for Lego Mania on December 18 with fifteen participating.
- Gingerbread Gone Wild—Decorate a Dinosaur was held on December 21 for eleven participants.
- Winter Crafts were offered from December 19-26 for 76 participants.
- Matinee Movies were offered December 28-31 for eleven participants.

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- Adult Programs included:
 - Holiday Mixology held on December 2. Brian Palomar (former library employee) and Keith Avery of the Downtown Bar in Pueblo taught 21 participants how to pair drinks with holiday meals and how to spice up their holiday gatherings with festive drink creations.
 - Sugar & Spice – Holiday Gifts from the Kitchen on December 5. Amy Martin (Greenhorn Valley Library Manager) taught 21 participants how to make handmade gifts that are both beautiful and useful by creating layered desserts and savory soups in decorative mason jars.
 - The Yarn Club met on December 14 with three participants.
 - DIY Club–Sugar Scrubs & Such where Sharon Rice (Library Assistant) and Shannon Brooks taught twelve participants how to use essential oils and simple ingredients to create scrumptious sugar scrubs for the holiday gift season.
 - Scrapbooking Club met on December 18 with six participants.



- Beulah Satellite Programs included Gingerbread Gone Wild–Decorate a Dinosaur on December 4 for thirteen participants.
- Greenhorn Valley Library collected gloves, hats and scarves to donate to Posada as part of the "Warm Up with a Good Book While Helping Others Stay Warm" display. Faith Circle has donated \$400 in Kohl's Cash to purchase items to supplement community donations. The library is also currently a collection point for "Teens for Jeans" which is a service project that one of the local high school students is working on.
- Community Meeting Room use this month included The Art of Relaxation Yoga Class (Tuesday mornings); District 70 Online (Wednesday afternoons); Doterra Essential Oil Consultants; GHV Chamber of Commerce; Cuerno Verde Arts Council; Craver Middle School Yearbook Club; Valley Backpacks; Boy Scouts; and Stewart Bixler Jewelry.

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- The Greenhorn Valley Library was excited to host a reception on December 17 for the Pride City Quilters during which they presented a handmade Quilt of Valor to a local veteran in appreciation for his service in Vietnam.

LAMB LIBRARY

- This month Lamb received 11,088 visitors to the library. In the month of December, Lamb had meeting room usage of 41 events and public reservations.
- Program attendance totaled 286, not counting exhibit attendance. Youth program attendance was 233. Total monthly storytime attendance was 118; Lego Mania had 17; Snowflake Making 9; Shrinky Dink Ornaments 16; *Read Dog, Read* 5, Felted Flurries 24; Gingerbread 42; Make it Snow 2. Teen program attendance was 32. Teen Anime Club had 7, Teen Advisory Board 0, DIY Holiday Gifts 5; Jurassic World Movie 16; and DIY Sock Animal Gifts 4. Adult program attendance was 21. Adult Anime Club had 10; Lamb Needlework Club 9; and Cookie Exchange Tea Party 2.
- Lamb continued to see strong attendance at storytimes throughout the month. The Wednesday storytime continues to draw around 40 participants per session. This month we also noticed an increase in attendance at youth programs. This was led by strong attendance for the Gingerbread House making program on December 19 that brought in 42 participants. There was also good attendance at the teen movie. *Jurassic World* brought in 16 viewers to a Friday afternoon movie matinee.
- In the month of December, Lamb continued to display two photographs by New Mexico photographer Nicolas Cabrea. Mr. Cabrea is a friend of Maria Kramer (Youth Services Manager) who had supplied two photographs titled “Los rascacielos de Alburquerque, Neuevo Mexico” and “La Semana Santa en Salamanca Espana.” Both were on display in the nonfiction area of the library.



LUCERO LIBRARY

- Catherine Shepherd (Children’s Librarian) presented the following youth programs: Demonstration of 3D Printer for forty; Paper Circuits/LED Cards for twelve; Art of Journaling for two; Family Craft Shrinky Dink Ornaments for 24; Gingerbread Construction for 65; three Holiday Movies for 41; Movie for thirteen; Teen DIY Holiday Gifts for seven; Tween Make It Snow for twelve, and Wii Gaming for twenty.
- Lucero staff provided storytime at Bradford Elementary for 65 students.
- Lucero offered a number of passive programs in December: Snowman Craft for 72 participants; I Spy Fish Tank for eighteen; Winter Papercrafts: Angels, Christmas Trees and Christmas Cards for 464; and daily Holiday Crafts from December 21-29 for 216.
- Other programs offered included: Paper Airplanes for 15 and the Guerrero Family Stocking Giveaway for 180.
- The Lucero Library held its One-Year Anniversary Celebration on December 12 with 380 participants.
- Books a la Cart distributed 1,495 books in December.

- The Lucero art project installation of the steel frame is complete. The next step is to complete surface treatments on the steel frame featuring the mosaic tile depictions. Timeline for completion of project is late January or February, contingent upon weather conditions.



- Threat Assessment: Alan Rocco (Facilities Superintendent) and Diann Logie (Lucero Library Manager) continue to evaluate and complete recommendations. Motion sensors were installed on middle entrance door to alert staff when customers are entering or exiting library, especially those who come in to use restrooms only.
- Gang Prevention and Intervention: Mark Salazar provided workshops from his Gangology workbook or individually met with gang affiliated youth with attendance of 91.
- Sara Roybal of the Grupo Folklorico provided free dance classes to 47 youth. On behalf of this group, Virginia Vigil and Ted Lopez provided a special craft program and demonstration of Mexican wedding dances for 16 youth.

PUEBLO WEST LIBRARY

- Pueblo West Meeting Room use was up 70% for 2015 as of the end of November, and meeting room attendance at Pueblo West just barely exceeded Rawlings meeting room use in November for the first time ever.
- Pueblo West was happy to host the library staff holiday party in December. Courtney Woodka (Marketing Coordinator/Nesbitt Staff Association President) put together a wonderful party, and the meeting room space was large enough to host this staff event.
- Working with Pueblo West historian Jock Peters, Susan Wolf (Pueblo West Librarian) put together an excellent history display in the art gallery for December. Pueblo West has a unique history and was first established as a planned community to coincide with the building of the Pueblo reservoir.
- Rachel Salazar (Library Specialist) organized a multigenerational Holiday Crafts and Cookies program during which families made gingerbread houses and candy cane ornaments while enjoying holiday cookies. A total of 76 people participated with an additional 27 entering the gingerbread contest for a total participation of 103.
- Pueblo West hosted a total of 57 programs in December. Some highlights included:
 - Sangre de Cristo Ballet performed Nutcracker in a Nutshell on December 13 for 77 people.
 - AARP taught a Safe Driving Class for on December 1 for 16 seniors.
 - Elizabeth Flores (Librarian) organized a multigenerational Shrinky Dinks ornament making program on December 4 for 35 participants.
 - Elizabeth Flores (Librarian) organized a youth Minion Movie marathon for 26 participants.
 - Rachel Salazar (Library Specialist) organized a Teen Movie Night for 29 participants.

FACILITIES

- Cleaned chiller, sump, and cooling tower of all debris.
- Installed hand dryers at Lucero.
- Supported install of Lucero art wall.
- Repaired trip hazard at Pueblo West.
- Cleared snow on two days.
- Completed 440 work orders in December.
- Completed 6,075 work orders in 2015.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Terminations /Retirements:

- Ashley Osterhout resigned as Literacy Coordinator effective December 8.
- Claire Singleton resigned as Administrative Technician in Community Relations effective December 22.

New Hires, Promotions and Lateral Moves:

- Isobel Drysdale was reinstated as a Library Specialist Substitute.

Recruiting / Open Positions:

- Chief Financial Officer
- Digitization Coordinator
- Museum Coordinator
- Adult Literacy Coordinator
- Community Resource Specialist
- E-Marketing Coordinator
- Community Relations Assistant

Volunteer

- Volunteers provided 1,245.3 hours valued at \$27,570.94 (based on Independent Sector's figure of \$22.14 per hour for each volunteer hour contributed).
- Barry Gonzalez is the Volunteer of the Month. Barry Gonzalez has volunteered since 2011 providing Beginning and Advanced Spanish classes for the Pueblo community at the library at no cost.

TECHNICAL SERVICES & COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

- 7,346 items were added to the collection in December, and 3,654 items were withdrawn.
- Jill Deulen (Technical Services & Collection Development Director) and Daniel Gaghan (ILS Administrator) visited staff from CSU-Pueblo to discuss Hoopla, issuing library cards to students, and providing a small PCCLD collection from CSU-Pueblo's library.
- Collection development librarians have been sending in their final ordering carts for 2015.
- The Technical Services Assistants were extremely busy receiving year-end orders and paying invoices before the end of the fiscal year.
- Peggy Bilger (Technical Services Specialist) began loading links to subscription databases into the Sirsi catalog for greater visibility. She has begun with Chilton's and Britannica Online.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- Jill Deulen (Technical Services & Collection Development Director) is participating in Leadership Pueblo, a program sponsored by the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce.
- Ellie O'Keefe (Teen Librarian) attended the PYEC (Pueblo Youth Employment Council) Meeting on December 1.
- Lauren Martinez (Youth Services Customer Service Rep) attended "Being Customer Focused" webinar on December 1.
- Natalie Gallegos (Youth Services Library Specialist) attended "What We're Reading for Spring 2016" webinar on December 2.
- Ellie O'Keefe (Teen Librarian) attended the PYEC (Pueblo Youth Employment Council) Strategic Planning Meeting on December 3.
- Natalie Gallegos (Youth Services Library Specialist) attended "Handling Hard Topics for Youth" webinar on December 3.
- Ellie O'Keefe (Teen Librarian) attended the Youth Resource Fair Committee Meeting on December 7.
- Phil Hernandez (Youth Services Materials Handling Technician) received Printing and SAM training provided by Natalie Gallegos on December 7. He also received BiblioCommons training provided by Jacque Collins on December 9, Sirsi Training provided by Lauren Martinez on December 10, and Customer Service Model Training provided by Maria Kramer on December 14.

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- Kayci Barnett (Giodone Library Manager), Kirsten Dees (Early Literacy Librarian), Maria Kramer (Youth Services Manager), and Ellie O'Keefe (Teen Librarian) attended the Security for Libraries webinar at Rawlings on December 9.
- Sara Rose (Chief Operating Officer), Sherri Baca (Human Resource Manager) and Loretta McDaniel (temporary Human Resource Assistant) attended Background Checking in the Modern Workplace training provided by Express Employment Professionals on December 9.
- Charlene Garcia Simms (Special Collections Librarian) and Tammi Moe (Librarian Archivist) participated in a Genealogy webinar on December 10.
- Karen Frank (Youth Services Materials Handling Technician) received eBook training provided by Maria Kramer (Youth Services Manager) on December 11.
- Kirsten Dees (Early Literacy Librarian) attended "STEMpendous STEM Programming" webinar on December 11.
- Rebecca Farris (Youth Services Materials Handling Technician) received Customer Service Model training provided by Maria Kramer (Youth Services Manager) on December 11.
- Kayci Barnett (Giodone Library Manager) attended the School District 70 Librarian meeting on December 17.
- Ellie O'Keefe (Teen Librarian) received training on Imagination Chapter Google Hangout on December 18.
- Loretta Dilorio (Youth Service Materials Handling Technician) received eBook training provided by Maria Kramer (Youth Services Manager) on December 31.

THANK YOU MESSAGES

- CSU-Pueblo Nursing Students wrote the following thank you note to the library: "Your participation made Healthy Halloween a success. Thank you for your support."
- Charlene Garcia-Simms (Special Collections Librarian) received the following letter from Art, Schendzielos, Representative for the World Aids Day Committee: "I am writing to thank Rawlings Library for once again allowing us to hold our World Aids Day event and the displaying of the Pueblo AIDS Quilt. We want to especially thank Megan Petersen (Museum Coordinator) for all the hard work she did to make this event go really smooth. She was there every step of the way and went overboard at times to answer our many questions with a smile. We believe this years' event was the best ever and a lot of the credit goes to Megan. We are looking forward to having our 2016 event at the Library and feel secure that it will again be wonderful."

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Walker
Executive Director