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

May 24, 2012

Digitization Plan

Bishoff and Associates was selected as the consultant to provide guidance in creating a digitization plan for the District's archival collections. The consultants were selected through a competitive RFP process. A kick-off meeting has taken place by telephone, and the first site visit by the consultants will be May 9-10.

Library Enhancement Project and RFID/AMH

Three design/architectural vendors submitted responses to PCCLD's RFP for the Library Enhancement Project. The proposals will be rated, and the selected vendor will be announced in May. The Library Enhancement Project design firm will work closely with the RFID vendor, once selected, in order to help integrate the new technologies into library facilities and services. The process for selecting RFID/AMH vendor(s) is proceeding on time with several vendor presentations occurring in April. Final selection for RFID/AMH is scheduled to take place in June.

2012 Annual Plan Update

PCCLD administrators have completed an assessment of progress-to-date on goals and objectives established for 2012. In most areas, PCCLD remains on track with intended accomplishments, including the RFID/AMH project; floating collections, maintaining a robust materials acquisition program, expanding access to e-book content and wireless devices, maintaining routine standards for weeding collections, reorganizing DVD collections at Rawlings, enhancing services at the Library @ the Y, improving marketing of library services, upgrading the District's ILS and OPAC, developing an initiative for digitizing special archival and historical collections, replacing older hardware and software, insuring computer files are backed up and can be recovered in the event of a disaster, planning for libraries on the East Side, St. Charles Mesa, and Greenhorn Valley; reviewing the Outreach Program looking for opportunities to better meet current needs, improving adult programming, offering GED classes, supporting the Pueblo Library Foundation, installing video surveillance cameras, evaluating current circulation services in light of changes brought by RFID and more, seeking best insurance broker for PCCLD via competitive RFP process, improving cash management practices, considering modifying current pay practices based on a comprehensive study, improving utilization of volunteers, and the new library website. Some of the stated 2012 goals and objectives are still awaiting progress, including implementing a call center and establishing procedures for sampling reference questions.

RAWLINGS LIBRARY

Special Collections & Museum Services

- 50 Document Delivery requests were answered in April. Requests this month included obituary, genealogy, research requests and use/purchase of historic photos. Items from the collection used by customers for April was 729.
- The State Fair collection is currently being re-housed through an IMLS grant in partnership with the Pueblo County Historical Society.
- Volunteers are working on several projects including entering the oral interview inventory into a
 database and clipping the *Pueblo Chieftain* for the vertical files. Staff is also working to clean
 the vault and inventory more items.
- Attendance in the InfoZone Museum in April was 3,446.

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- The InfoZone hosted 18 films with 217 attending.
- The Book Discussion, "Global Girlfriends" was attended by 21 people.
- The Latino Chamber of Commerce held a leadership meeting in the InfoZone, it was attended by 21 people
- A genealogy organization held a performance in the InfoZone attended by 10 people.
- A healthcare program was held in the InfoZone, attended by 17 people.
- The Audubon Society used the InfoZone for their monthly program with 29 people attending.
- A group from Heritage Elementary toured the InfoZone Museum. There were 44 children, and 6 adults.
- Fountain Elementary toured the InfoZone Museum with a total of 100 children and 9 adults.
- A group from Bessemer Elementary toured the InfoZone Museum. There were 48 children and 5 adults
- The Veterans for Peace meeting in the InfoZone was attended by 27 people.
- A tour of Special Collections was given to 80 students from PSAS.
- The grand re-opening of the InfoZone News Museum took place on April 14 on the 4th floor of the library. The Governor John Hickenlooper and Lt. Governor Joe Garcia were in attendance. The grand reopening of the Info Zone Museum was attended by 130 people. The evening reception held to celebrate the grand reopening of the museum was attended by 50 people.
- The Veterans for Peace, Liberty Action groups, Representative Angela Giron have continued to use the InfoZone for meetings.

Reference & Readers Advisory

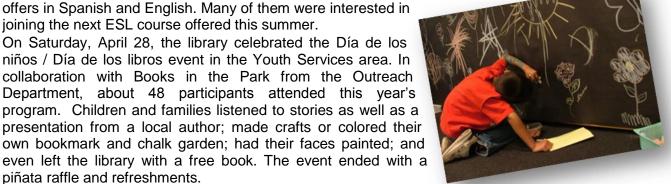
- During the month of April, 13 volunteer tutors provided approximately 131.75 hours of individual tutoring to 14 students, and contributed a total of 230 volunteer hours to the Adult Literacy Program. AmeriCorps member, Christina Sanchez, facilitated four 2-hour English Conversation Group meetings with three participants each session.
- Seven new adult literacy tutors completed orientation on April 17 and have been paired with adult learners. Additionally, three volunteers with prior tutoring experience are testing online modules created by ProLiteracy Education Network for viability as a training substitute.
- Cristina Guerra from the AmeriCorps program at Pueblo Community College conducted a semi-annual site visit on April 18 and announced that Pueblo Community College will not be administering an AmeriCorps program next year. Christina Sanchez will therefore complete her service in September, and PCCLD will not renew its contract with AmeriCorps.
- Amy Nelson (Literacy Librarian) concluded her presentations across the district at monthly department meetings to update staff about PCCLD's termination of Federal Depository Library Status, provide an overview of the State Publications Collection at the Rawlings Library, demonstrate use of the Library's State Publications webpage and explain the partnership with CSU-Pueblo's Depository Library. Amy also presented these updates to the Board of Trustees on April 26.
- With Kim Young's (Lead Reference Librarian) assistance, Andrew Bregar (Emerging Technology Librarian) continues to teach computer classes and offer device instruction to customers at PCCLD locations. A total of 11 individual training sessions were held in April with 46 attending.
- Customers continue to request and use devices offered at the Barkman and Rawlings Libraries
 as part of the New Information Technology Center initiative. As in the past, the iPad is the
 most requested device offered at the locations, and the same day laptop has proven popular at
 the Rawlings Library. The various wireless devices were checked out 193 times during April.
- Earlier this month the legend for the mural was fully completed, and a frame was installed around the entire mural to enhance the quality of the piece. Since then many tours have taken place, and we are continuously bringing people into that area successfully to learn more about the mural and the Hispanic Resource Center.
- The ESL/Citizenship classes are currently on hold until the month of May. However, the monthly ESL movie night was held on April 24 with 13 people in attendance.

Seven students attended this month's Spanish courses taught by Barry Gonzalez. Barry was unable to teach several Saturdays because he had back surgery.

On April 12 Felicia Sanchez-Garbiso (Hispanic Resource Coordinator) visited with a group of Spanish-speaking parents about the many resources and services the library

joining the next ESL course offered this summer.

On Saturday, April 28, the library celebrated the Día de los niños / Día de los libros event in the Youth Services area. In collaboration with Books in the Park from the Outreach Department, about 48 participants attended this year's program. Children and families listened to stories as well as a presentation from a local author; made crafts or colored their own bookmark and chalk garden; had their faces painted; and even left the library with a free book. The event ended with a piñata raffle and refreshments.



- The art of Trisha Fernandez was featured in the Hispanic Resource Center in April.
- Kim Young (Lead Reference Librarian) and a committee of members representing all library locations are working on the final plans for this year's Adult Summer Reading Program. This year's program will include various activities for adults at library locations and some events held at other places in the city. A final calendar of events will be published in May.
- Three classes offered by the statewide Money Smart Program were held at the Rawlings Library in April. The professionals from the program offered information on improving your credit score; job searching techniques; and buying a home.
- Varina Kosovich (Library Assistant) combined her talents with Youth Service staff to offer a poetry workshop for Book Connections – Theories of Falling on April 25.
- Kim Young (Lead Reference Librarian) was accepted to the Colorado Association of Libraries Leadership Institute (CALLI) beginning later this year

Youth Services

- Youth Services provided 70 programs serving 462 adults and 2,454 youth.
- As part of the "One Book 4 Colorado" program initiated by Lt. Governor Joe Garcia, Youth Services distributed 732 books. Remaining books will be distributed in May in partnership with the Pueblo Early Childhood Council.
- A month long series of Saturday programs titled "Lego Landmark Challenge" brought participants.
- World Record Story Time was provided at Fun Yogurt on April 7.
- The annual Día de los niños (Day of the Child) program was hosted by Felicia Sanchez-Garbiso Assistant/Hispanic (YS Library Resource Coordinator), bringing 48 participants on April 28.
- Other programs included Poetry Workshop, Money Smart, and Flip My Phone.
- Teen Advisory Board Meetings brought 17 participants. Activities included filming a library promotional video, and creating book spine poetry.
- Schools visits to promote Summer Reading included: Morton, Heritage, Fountain, Pleasant View Middle School, PSAS, and Dolores Huerta High School.
- IORDAN

Book Spine Poetry submitted by the Teen Advisory Board, featured on YALSA's website: http://www.yalsa.ala.org/thehub/2012/04/13/bookspine-poetry-challenge/

Maria Kramer (Teen Librarian) was accepted to the Colorado Association of Libraries Leadership Institute (CALLI) beginning later this year.

BARKMAN LIBRARY

- Across the board all of the key data statistics are up at Barkman. This includes circulation, library visits, computer use, and programming. The most significant increase is the programming statistics, which are up 75% so far in 2012.
- After an extensive and intensive weeding effort over the past three years, which included weeding approximately 40,000 items, Barkman's collection size is smaller than the Lamb Library for the first time in recent memory. Employees completed scanning the collection in April and are now focused on the monthly weeding list to maintain a pristine collection.
- The April book discussion group featured the book *A Child Called It* by David Pelzer, and ten adults participated in the discussion about this nonfiction book that deals with child abuse.
- Natasha Gonzales (Lamb Clerk), former Barkman volunteer, featured her many talents at making a variety of holiday and cultural crafts in Barkman's display case. Many of these crafts she helped create for Barkman programming the past several years as a volunteer.

LAMB LIBRARY

- Alicia Griebel (Children's Librarian) presented the following programs.
 - Mother Goose story times for 117 people.
 - o Preschool story times for 142.
 - Special preschool story times for fifteen at South Park elementary school.
- Alicia Griebel (Children's Librarian) presented the following teen programs:
 - Anime night twice this month. Some of the films viewed were Ouran High, Host Club and Yu Yu Hakusho.
 - Money Smart, Teens and Money. Teens were informed about money matters and how to start saving. There were 13 teens in attendance.

PUEBLO WEST LIBRARY

- Door count for the month was 18,501. The library hosted 55 meetings during March in the meeting rooms. Some of the groups using the rooms included Serenigy Global, Financial Peace, and Obama for President.
- The Pueblo West Chamber of Commerce held their quarterly luncheon at the library, which gave Deb Krauth (Business Librarian) an opportunity to highlight the business resources and the technology available here and throughout the District. Deb had arranged for a representative of Reference USA to do a virtual overview of the database, and he spent about an hour highlighting many of the unique useful features RefUSA offers customers. This was held Thursday, April 19 and 36 people attended.
- Deb Krauth (Business Librarian) continues to work with Workforce Center in preparation for the soft- and hard-launch of the Virtual Workforce Center, and she participated in a site-testing exercise to help the Workforce Center prepare for the launch of their web tools.
- April was Money Smart Colorado month, an annual program sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank. One week every April, financial and public entities throughout the state have programming to focus on financial literacy. Deb Krauth (Business Librarian) organized six programs for adults throughout the district, and a program for teens that focused on teens and money. The adult programs and locations were Credit Smarts at Rawlings, The Job Search at Rawlings, Same job—more money at Pueblo West, How a reverse mortgage works at Pueblo West, Surviving job loss at Barkman, and Buying a home at Rawlings. The teens and money session called "Education Cents" was held at each of the branches.
- Cindy Shimizu (Pueblo West Manager) held a session each on OverDrive for the Kindle and Nook on April 3.
- Andrew Bregar (Emerging Technology Librarian) also came out for a hands-on session for anyone who needed help with their device on April 20.

- This was a busy month for the children's specialists at Pueblo West. There were two fun craft programs, as well as the monthly Move It! Story time, the "One Book 4 Colorado" initiative, and the beginning of school visits to promote the summer reading program.
- There was a Recycled Art program on April 12, where kids got to make crafts using various types of material that would otherwise have been discarded.
- On April 21, it was time to get hands dirty and plant some plants. Home Depot generously donated both materials and staff time to help out with this gardening program.
- School visits are being conducted by Elizabeth Flores (Librarian), and Kirsten Dees and Kathy Kearney (Library Assistants) are planning to visit the high school sometime before the end of the school year to deliver information about the teen summer reading program. The main focus for April was to visit preschools and distribute copies of the book, *I want my book!* which is the book given to four-year olds around Colorado between April 18-29. Pueblo West distributed 430 books to kids in the library and at preschools throughout Pueblo West.
- Regular Story Times included:

| 0 | Bumblebee | 4 programs | 7 children | 7 adults |
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| 0 | Time for Tots, Tuesdays | 4 programs | 84 children | 61 adults |
| 0 | Preschool Stories, Thursdays | 4 programs | 81 children | 58 adults |
| 0 | Move-It Story time, April 26 | | 6 children | 5 adults |

• Pueblo West offered two teen programs in April: Go fly a kite! on April 12 and Giant Monopoly on April 26. 14 teens and 2 adults constructed kites, and a whopping 30 teens and 3 adults played Monopoly.



• The Anime Club cancelled their meeting on April 5, but met on April 19 with 13 teens and 2 adults attending.

LIBRARY @ THE Y

- The Library @ the Y provided five programs serving 108 people. The monthly gate count totaled 2,080.
- A Spring Flowers craft program brought 27 participants to the library on April 19.
- Preschool groups visited on four different days, totaling 81 participants.

FACILITIES

Facilities staff continued with day-to-day activities and also completed the following:

- Worked with Special Projects Librarian on the installation of a new Smart Board in the Executive Conference Room on the 3rd floor of the Administration Wing at the Rawlings Library. Electrical needs were determined, the current white board was removed, and the wall repainted in preparation for the installation.
- Continued work with the Books Again store volunteers to put advertising banners at each library location for the upcoming book sale.
- Started the lawn sprinkler systems district wide, replaced sprinkler heads and branch lines, and adjusted time clock setting. Aeration and fertilization will follow.
- Completed the design and installation of the shadow box framing around the Hispanic Resource Center mural.

- Worked with Fire Inspections Plus contractor on fire detection testing and inspection. The system was tested for proper operation of the horns and strobes, smoke detectors, pull stations, and dial-out notifications at the Pueblo West Library and Rawlings Library.
- Worked with the Teen Librarian on creating a new library inventor space. Cost estimates on additional electrical power requirements and shelving were provided for a future grant request
- Mechanical Tasking of HVAC equipment continues with the completion of:
 - Water Chemistry Rawlings Library
 - o Reflective pond maintenance Rawlings Library
 - Emergency generator procedures Rawlings Library
 - Elevator telephone connections were tested and verified for proper operation Rawlings and Lamb Libraries
 - Liebert air conditioning monthly preventive maintenance Rawlings Library
 - Panic bar testing and inspection Rawlings Library
 - Rooftop air conditioning repair Lamb Library
 - Fire line air compressor preventive maintenance Rawlings Library
- Completed a total of 385 work orders district wide.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Positions being recruited in April:

- Clerk I, part-time, 20 hours/week, Barkman Library
- Clerk II, part-time, 12 hours/week, Lamb Library
- Facilities Specialist, part-time, 24 hours/week, Rawlings Library
- Satellite Clerk II, part-time, 28 hours/week, Beulah/Rye/Colorado City; Outreach Services
- Seasonal Books-In-The-Park, 3 part-time positions, Outreach Services
- Manager of Fundraising /Grant Writer, full-time, Community Relations

New Hires:

- Darlene Sherwood was hired as part-time Purchasing Specialist, replacing Sandra Conley. Ms.
 Sherwood has 14 years of experience in Purchasing as well as a background in Accounting.
 She has an MBA from the University of Phoenix and BS degree in Business Administration from St. Mary's of the Plains College in Kansas.
- Krystallyn Miles was hired as part-time Clerk I at the Barkman Library, replacing Ed Vaught.
 Ms. Miles has one year of experience volunteering at the Carnegie Public Library in Trinidad
 and two years work experience as a Customer Service Representative. She is currently a
 student at CSU-Pueblo who is pursuing a BA degree in Fine Arts.
- David del Norte was hired as part-time Clerk II for the Lamb Library, replacing Steve Atencio
 who made a lateral move to Youth Services. David has volunteered with PCCLD for one year
 and has worked at the CSU-Pueblo library for two years. He currently works part-time at the
 Bessemer Historical Society as an Archives Assistant. He recently received his BA degree in
 English from CSU-Pueblo and plans to pursue an MLS degree.

Terminations:

 Maida Scott, Web Administrator submitted her resignation letter to leave employment with PCCLD effective on May 31. She has also entered into an Independent Contractor Agreement with PCCLD to continue to contribute web development services to the library through December 2012. Maida has worked as an Independent Consultant in Web Design for many years prior to joining PCCLD.

Volunteers:

- The Quarterly Volunteer Lunch Meeting was held on April 15.
- PCCLD Volunteer hours for the month of April totaled 1,571.1 hours, valued at \$31, 814.78 (Estimated by Independent Sector's figure of \$20.25/hour for each volunteer hour contributed).
- The Volunteer of the Month for April 2012 was Mike Tuck who has been a volunteer with PCCLD in the Outreach Department since June of 2009. As a dedicated volunteer for the library's homebound program, Mike goes above and beyond the normal requested service for

his homebound customers. He is always kind and willing to make sure the customer has what he/she needs, and even works with the staff of the facilities where the customers are living. Mike always goes the extra mile for his customers. The library is very fortunate to have Mike's volunteer contributions.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- Launched new PCCLD website to public.
- Provided training on new security camera system to authorized users.
- Installed new computer hardware for InfoZone re-opening.
- Began work on simplifying virtual hard disk environment, beginning with Lamb Library.

OUTREACH SERVICES

- Barb Brown (Outreach Manager) attended a meeting with Donna Helms, Program Coordinator for the Care and Share program on April 10. Barb Brown and Jane Palmer (Public Services Director) have completed an application for free lunches/snacks for the satellite libraries during the summer months.
- Barb Brown (Outreach Manager), Cate Mugasis and Renee Montano (Outreach Assistants) met with SRDA Michael Espinos (SRDA ARCH Board) and Richard Tucey (Special Projects Librarian) on April 11 to coordinate PEAK opportunities in the community. Cate attended PEAK meetings on April 12 and 17 to help the Outreach Department determine how to better advertise and implement this new opportunity for the community.
- Boxes of discarded books have been delivered to Freed, Sunset, Heaton, Corwin, Roncalli, Baca, Haaff, Minnequa, South Park, Franklin, Belmont, and Highland Park. Title X teachers and others came to choose books as well, so a total of 1600 discarded books were given away through Outreach this month.
- Lorina Messenger and David Gouge (Satellite Clerks) provided a Technology Open House at the North Mesa Satellite library on April 9, at Vineland on April 10, at Avondale on April 11.
 Valarie Sanchez (Satellite Clerk) provided a Technology Open House at South Mesa on April 16, Cesar Chavez on April 17, and Risley on April 18. Renee Montano (Outreach Assistant) provided Technology Open House at the Rye satellite on April 23, Craver on April 24, and Beulah on April 25.
- Books in the Park hours will change to 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with the first and last half-hour for set-up and break-down. Books in the Park will be at Bessemer on Monday-Wednesday with a story time on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m., and at El Centro del Quinto Sol on Thursday and Friday with a story time on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. Dates for Books in the Park will be June 4 through July 27.

TECHNICAL SERVICES AND COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

- 6,131 items were added to the collection during the month, and 6,843 items were withdrawn.
- Purchased 48 iPads for circulation. Laptops are on order, as are cases and carts for both. Sony e-Readers are being cataloged and will be ready for circulation soon.
- Tracy Overton (Technical Services Assistant) is creating a record for the Sony e-Readers that will begin circulating in May.
- Since putting Mike Davis (Technical Services Assistant) in charge of juvenile materials. Developing a direct relationship with the public departments has resulted in an approximate 90% reduction in requests to reclassify or correct juvenile errors (yellow slips).
- Jill Deulen (Interlibrary Loan Librarian) has added Blu-ray discs to the collection, to begin
 circulating in May. She worked closely with Pat Mascarenas (Technical Services Assistant) to
 address all possible discovery and clarity options with the cataloging and processing, in order
 to distinguish them from regular high-demand DVDs.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- On April 12, 24 winners were honored for their achievement in the Create Your Own Dr. Seuss Character Contest. An additional 20 students were honored for receiving an Honorable Mention. There were 1,412 entries this year, which were judged by Marilyn Baillargeon, Nick Potter and Susan Wolf. Winners received a \$10 gift certificate, and Honorable Mention recipients received a \$5 gift certificate to Books Again, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Nearly 200 showed up for the event.
- On Friday, April 20, Midori Clark and Sandy Gutierrez (president and CEO of the Latino Chamber of Commerce) co-presented a workshop on "Effective Communication" as part of the Chamber's Leadership Series. The presentation was to nine people enrolled in the program, which aims to give people the skill they need to become community leaders. The workshop was held at the InfoZone.
- Two community meetings were held regarding the East Side Library location on April 11 and 12 with about 75 attending.

GIFTS & GRANTS

- The library received \$900 from the Southern Colorado Community Foundation on April 17 which represents income from the Chamberlain Fund.
- The Friends of the Library gave \$10,000 to the library to sponsor All Pueblo Reads.
- The library received Summer Reading contributions from the following:
 - o Pueblo Rotary No. 43 Foundation donated \$1,000.
 - Tuxedo Ranch donated \$200.
 - Pueblo Records & Tapes donated \$25.
 - Hot Topic donated \$308.85 in merchandise.
 - Little Ceasars donated 100 coupons for a free Super Slice and 16-ounce drink.
 - o HARP donated 2,000 tickets for 2-for-1 boat rides.
 - o Bingo Burger donated 2,000 coupons for free fries with burger.
 - Jack in the Box donated 2,000 coupons for free fries and 2,000 coupons for free milkshakes.
 - Wendy's donated 2,000 coupons for a free Junior Frosty.
 - o Bowlero donated 50 free game tickets.
 - Applebee's donated 1,000 coupons for Kids' meals and 300 coupons for dessert shooters for teens.
- Archie J. Roy donated two copies of his book, North to the San Luis Valley.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- Fifteen selected staff attended Security Camera Training on April 3 or April 5.
- David Hartkop (E-Marketing Coordinator) attended Bookletters training on April 3.
- Jacque Talbot (Library @ the Y Coordinator) attended a one-hour webinar on April 3 titled: You've Got Male: Great New Books for Boys
- Valarie Sanchez, Lorina Messenger (Outreach Clerks), Amy Nelson (Literacy Librarian), Barb Brown (Outreach Manager) and Cate Mugasis (Outreach Assistant), participated in a PEAK Webinar in the Training room for an introduction to the PEAK program on April 4.
- Chris Brogan (Chief Financial Officer) attended the CAL Executive Board Meeting in Castle Rock on April 6.
- Sara Rose (HR Director) attended a Worksite Wellness Network of Southern Colorado meeting on April 17.
- Jon Walker attended the OCLC Global Council in Dublin, Ohio on April 15-18.
- Forty-four library employees attended at least one day of the CLiC Spring Workshop held on April 19 and 20 in Pueblo.
- Jessica Archuletta (Tech Services Clerk) and Jill Deulen (ILL Librarian) attended the ILL Conference in Fort Collins on April 25-27.

THANK YOU MESSAGES

- Judith Boudreaux, Program Manager for the Pueblo VITA Coalition, invited Jon Walker to a thank you luncheon and wrote the following: "I want to thank you for the partnership you offered for the 2012 VITA Tax program. We were able to assist hundreds of taxpayers in Pueblo and surrounding areas through your assistance. ... Again, we all thank you for your support of the VITA program."
- The library received a thank you note from Sangre de Cristo Hospice & Palliative Care for the memorial gift in lieu of flowers following Amy Nelson's father's death.
- Michelle Cisney left the following comment in the Rawlings comment box: "Our whole family just <u>loves</u> the library! Just wanted you to know you are doing an <u>incredible</u> job! From my 2-year old to myself—we all find something here at the library. Keep up the great work!"
- Janelle Reding from Heritage Elementary Media wrote a note to Renee Montano (Outreach Assistant): "Thank you for the wonderful donation of children's books! They will be a great addition to our school library and community."
- Roxie Harford from Heaton Middle School wrote the following to Renee Montano (Outreach Assistant): "The staff and students here at Heaton Middle School really appreciate your donation of library books. They are definitely needed and will be enjoyed by all! Thank you!"
- Annette Warfield, outgoing President of the Friends of the Library, wrote the following: "I shall enjoy the beautiful summer plant—thank you. I have enjoyed my involvement with FOL and thank you for recognizing my service."
- Marilyn Thompson and Terry Hawkins from the Optimist Club of Pueblo sent the following thank you letter to Chris Brogan (Chief Financial Officer) for items provided by Midori Clark (Community Relations Director): "On behalf of the Optimist Club of Pueblo, we want to thank you for your generous donation of a silent auction item for the Optimist Wine and Microbrew Tasting held on April 29, 2012: Book basket. The Optimist Club of Pueblo engages in many programs to accomplish our mission. ... The Optimist Club of Pueblo works to improve the lives of children in our community and can only do it through the generosity of donations such as yours."

Respectfully submitted, Jon Walker Executive Director