

# APRIL 2019

## Press/Publicity report



## LOCAL BRIEFS

### Friends of the Library to honor volunteer

The Pueblo City-County Library District's 1,000-plus-member Friends of the Library organization will recognize the Friend of the Year April 19.

Roy Miltner, will receive

the award during the Friends of the Library Annual Meeting and Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. April 19 in the InfoZone Theater on the fourth floor of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Guest speaker Maria Tucker, PCCLD manager of special collections and museum services, will give the presentation, Andrew McClelland: A Most Unusual Library Patron.

Miltner has been involved with the library district since 1998. He served on both the Friends of the Library Board and the Library Board of Trustees. Currently, he manages the history and sports section of the used bookstore, Books Again. A dedicated volunteer for the past 20 years, Miltner has contributed to the store's success.

Cost is \$20 per person and reservations must be made by 4 p.m. April 12 by calling 553-0340. Attire is business/business casual.

For more information, call Sara Schwartz at 553-0220.

# The Pueblo Chieftain

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## Garden party

East Side advocates kick off community venture

By Jon Pompia  
The Pueblo Chieftain

The foundation of the East Side has long been its community spirit.

And now that spring is in the air, a community garden will soon be another source of East Side pride.

On Friday, a collective of advocates representing Pueblo Education Coalition, the Eastside Action Support Team, NeighborWorks Southern Colorado, the Patrick A. Lucero Library, Pueblo Community Health Center and Pillars of Unity hosted a block party in the parking lot of the vacated Safeway store on East Eighth Street.

This communal fete was designed to generate interest in the community garden, which will be planted in the

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Brielle Mercado, 7, drags a firehose across the parking lot as part of an obstacle course as East Side advocates kick off a community garden project Friday near the vacated Safeway store on the East Side. [CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/STEPHEN SWOFFORD]

### PARTY

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neighborhood that also hosts the Lucero Library and Risley International Academy of Innovation.

Robert Donovan, a spokesman for Pueblo Education Coalition and a Risley educator, said the venture is being funded through Colorado Trust and NeighborWorks grants, with support from a host of agencies and individuals.

As a community garden, East Side residents who plant seeds and then tend to upkeep are entitled to share in the bounty of fresh vegetables and fruits.

"This is our kickoff for the garden: an event to get people excited about it," Donovan said. "So today we're signing up those people who are interested in participating. Many times, there isn't enough enticing programming for young people."

"So this garden will allow them to get their hands dirty and see the fruits of their labor after a season of growing."

The staging of the kickoff in the parking lot of a shuttered grocery store was not coincidental.

"As you know, the East Side is a food desert," Donovan explained. "And we want to make sure people have access to fresh foods, fresh vegetables. And that is the larger vision: creating access to fresh foods here."

As a tasty preview of what urban gardeners can expect, a berry of fresh fruits and vegetables were being handed out to guests young and old Friday.

Visitors also had a chance to participate in a Pueblo Fire Department's Fire Fit Kids course, win prizes in carnival-esque games hosted by vendors, receive information on resources as related to health and wellness, energy assistance and education, and check out materials from the Lucero Library.

One of the youngsters taking an active role in recruiting gardeners was Risley eighth-grader Jasmine Ortiz.

"We want to bring the community garden in to

spread positivity," Jasmine said. "We want to have a thing for people to do and not only that, we're giving them a skill that they can learn: growing fruits and vegetables. And hopefully it will give people a healthier diet, because that's important."

Both the block party and forthcoming garden align with the "community school" model — a shared leadership venture bolstered by partnerships — the coalition is hoping to bring to Risley.

"That's why we want the garden in this area, to tie in all the available resources and programs that are available,"

Donovan said. "When you have a community coming together for a garden and connecting in our schools, it's going to make for a stronger East Side."

Added Jasmine, "We need community schools here. As a student at Risley, I want to have a voice and I want to be informed about what's going on in my environment. And we want to bring the community to the school, because it's important for families to be involved."

For more information on the community garden, call 470-3150.

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Ada Becerra, 7, jumps rope at the community garden kickoff gathering. [CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/STEPHEN SWOFFORD]

## CALENDAR

### Knit and Crochet Table

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

### Pueblo Storytellers:

1 to  
2:30 p.m., Robert Hoag  
Rawlings Public Library,  
100 E. Abriendo Ave., all  
adults welcome, 543-  
6234.11th St., 542-4578 or  
821-2756.

### Pueblo West Toastmasters:

meeting, 6:30 to 8 p.m.,  
Pueblo West Library, 298  
S. Joe Martinez Blvd.,  
pueblowesttm.toastmaster-  
clubs.org or 426-7805.

### Cast Off Knitters:

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

### Retired Enlisted Men's

### Pueblo Toastmasters:

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

## AT THE LIBRARY

### New Books

#### From the Pueblo City- County Library District

#### Fiction

Professor Chandra Follows  
His Bliss," by Rajeev  
Balasubramanyam\*  
"The River," by Peter  
Heller\*  
"The A-List," by J.A. Jance\*  
"We Must Be Brave," by  
Frances Liardet\*  
"The Savior," by J.R. Ward\*  
"The Bird King," by G.  
Willow Wilson\*

#### Non-Fiction

"American Moonshot: John  
F. Kennedy and the Great  
Space Race," by Douglas  
Brinkley\*  
"Finding My Voice: My  
Journey to the West Wing  
and the Path Forward," by

Valerie Jarrett\*

"The Matriarch: Barbara  
Bush and the Making of  
an American Dynasty," by  
Susan Page\*

"A Love Letter Life:  
Pursue Creatively. Date  
Intentionally. Love  
Faithfully," by Jeremy  
Roloff\*

"Zora and Langston:  
A Story of Friendship  
and Betrayal," by Yuval  
Taylor\*

"The Path Made Clear:  
Discovering Your Life's  
Direction and Purpose," by  
Oprah Winfrey\*

\*Titles are either  
available or can be  
recommended in the  
eBook format through  
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### Events Calendar


## Congratulations, 2019 Business Award Recipients!

The Business of the Year Award will be presented to Flow Right Plumbing, Heating & Cooling. With over 150 years of collective experience in the plumbing, HVACR, environmental construction, and new construction industries they have been thriving as a company since 2008.

### 2019 "Charles W. Crews" Business Leader Award

The "Charles W. Crews" Business Leader Award will be presented to Jon Walker, Executive Director of the Pueblo City-County Library District (PCCLD) since 2004.







# LEAD

Congratulations Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce  
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Executive Director of the  
Pueblo City-County Library District  
"Charles W. Crews" Business Leader



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## CALENDAR

### TODAY

#### Knit and Crochet Table

**Gang:** 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Thurston Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 251-1938 or jpf6476@hotmail.com. Origami Odyssey, 2 to 4 p.m., Idea Factory, Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave. Finger puppets will be folded. All are welcome. 544-6420.

### MONDAY

Pueblo Storytellers, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., all adults welcome, 543-6234. 11th St., 542-4578 or 821-2756. Pueblo Eagles Auxiliary 145, meeting and initiation 7 p.m., 1615 S. Prairie Ave.

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

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

Pueblo Retired School Employees Association, meeting, 1 p.m., Brett Kelly Room B, Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

**Pueblo Write Now:** 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Rawlings Library, on the 1st floor in Room B. New writers are welcome.

## AT THE LIBRARY

### New Books

#### From the Pueblo City-County Library District

### Fiction

"Blood Oath," by Linda Fairstein\*  
"The Girl He Used to Know," by Tracey Garvis Graves\*  
"Dark Tribute: An Eve Duncan Novel," by Iris Johansen\*  
"Lost Roses," by Martha Hall Kelly\*  
"Someone Knows," by Lisa Scottoline\*  
"Women Talking," by Miriam Toews\*

### Non-Fiction

"Life Will Be the Death of Me: ...and You Too!" by Chelsea Handler\*  
"Point of View: A Fresh

Look at Work, Faith, and Freedom," by Elisabeth Hasselbeck\*

"Good Talk: A Memoir in Conversations," by Mira Jacob\*

"Inside the Empire: The True Power Behind the New York Yankees," by Bob Klapisch\*

"Save Me the Plums: My Gourmet Memoir," by Ruth Reichl\*

"Mama's Last Hug: Animal Emotions and What They Tell Us about Ourselves," by Frances de Waal\*

\*Titles are either available or can be recommended in the eBook format through PCCLD's Cloud Library Collection

## **LOCAL BRIEFS**

### **Library board of trustees to meet April 25**

The regular meeting of the Pueblo City-County Library District Board of Trustees will be at 5:30 p.m. April 25 at the Lamb Branch Library, 2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.

For more information, call 562-5633.

## DIVERSIONS

### Unconventional women program at library

For more information, call  
Sara Schwartz at 553-0220.

"Unconventional Women of the West" will take place at 7 p.m. April 27 in the Ryals Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Actors from The Legendary Ladies will star as Nettie Cook, Nellie Tayloe Rose, Dr. Susan Anderson, Dr. Byrd Howell Granger and Florence Lawrence.

Legendary Ladies was founded in 1992 with the mission to promote the history of women who made unique contributions to the West. The nonprofit organization is made up of volunteer actors and scholars.

The program is free and open to the public.



# BUSINESS

## WHAT TO WATCH FOR TODAY

• JPMorgan Chase & Co. reports quarterly financial results before the market opens.

## Award winners credit teamwork

**Flow Right Plumbing, Heating and Cooling and library boss Jon Walker honored by chamber of commerce**

By Dennis Darrow  
The Pueblo Chieftain

One of the award winners is a growing trade services company that started 11 years ago as a home-based business.

The other is a transplant who helped guide Pueblo's library system to national prominence.

Both credit their success to the teams around them.

On Thursday, the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce presented its 2019 business awards to previously announced winners Flow Right Plumbing, Heating and Cooling and Jon Walker, the executive director of the Pueblo City County Library District.

An estimated 150 people attended the chamber's annual Small Business Awards luncheon at Pueblo Union Depot, co-sponsored by Legacy Bank.

At the luncheon, Legacy announced it is moving ahead

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Jessica Navas (right), human resources director for Flow Right Plumbing, Heating and Cooling, speaks during the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce's annual Small Business Awards luncheon Thursday at Pueblo Union Depot. Flow Right received the 2019 Business of the Year Award.

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with its plan to open a Regency Park branch. The bank will extensively renovate the vacant former M&M convenience store building near Pueblo Boulevard and Sovereign Circle to be the site of the branch, which is tentatively set to open by fall. Legacy owns that building as well as the vacant former Amy's Donuts building on the same lot.

Walker was presented the Charles W. Crews Business Leader of the Year Award.

He credited the work of the library's 150 employees and the support of the organization's large number of volunteers for its recent run of recognition as one of the nation's top libraries. "It really is the work of all those engaged with the library. They are the high achievers," he said.

He thanked his family, including wife Stacy and their two sons. In 2004, his hiring as Pueblo's library director led the family to relocate to from Tulsa, Okla., where he was a division director of that community's library system. The move fulfilled the family's expectation of finding a caring community rich in history and culture, he said.

He also thanked the chamber for its recognition of the

library's successes, he said.

"It's really good to be a point of pride for what is a very proud community," he said.

Flow Right president Lance Harvey was not able to attend Thursday's luncheon but a small delegation of its 53 workers were present to accept the award.

Speaking on behalf of the workers, human resources director Jessica Navas thanked the chamber and briefly reviewed the company's recent efforts to assist with Pueblo's workforce development by offering apprenticeship and internship programs.

Chamber vice president Phyllis Samora, who presented the award to Flow Right, said the company's noteworthy accomplishments go beyond its workforce development program to include its rapid growth since its launch in 2008, its funding support for local sporting events and other civic projects and its participation in the Adopt-A-School program.

The company also routinely scores high marks for its customer service and employee relations, based on industry reviews, local Best Of listings and employee comments, she noted. "Flow Right believes in the importance of community. ... The employees say when you work for Flow Right you become family," Samora said.

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## CALENDAR

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8829 for questions.

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

### SATURDAY

**All Pueblo Grows Seed-Lending Library:** 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., community seed exchange, Thurston Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave. 583-6566 or [volunteers@allpueblogrows.org](mailto:volunteers@allpueblogrows.org).

## AT THE LIBRARY

### New Books From the Pueblo City- County Library District

#### Fiction

"Redemption," by David Baldacci\*

"Under the Table," by Stephanie Evanovich\*

"Miracle Creek," by Angie Kim\*

#### "The Department of

**Sensitive Crimes:** A Detective Varg Novel," by Alexander McCall Smith\*

**"Triple Jeopardy:** A Daniel Pitt Novel," by Anne Perry\*

"Normal People," by Sally Rooney\*

#### Non-Fiction

**"Southern Lady Code:** Essays," by Helen Ellis\*

**"Maybe You Should Talk to Someone:** A Therapist,

HER Therapist, and Our Lives Revealed," by Lori Gottlieb\*

**"Dutch Girl:** Audrey Hepburn and World War II," by Robert D. Matzen\*

**"A Woman of No Importance:** The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II," by Sonia Purnell\*

**"Ladies Who Punch:** The Explosive Inside Story of "The View," by Ramin Setoodeh\*

**"The Unwinding of the Miracle:** A Memoir of Life, Death, and Everything that Comes After," by Julie Yip-Williams\*

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## Preserving Latino history

**Boulder project partners with Pueblo entities**

By Anthony A. Mestas  
The Pueblo Chieftain

Pueblo has been a diverse community from the start. The story of the city's rich Latino history is part of that diversity — and members of the Latino History Project are teaming with local entities including Colorado State University-Pueblo to preserve the history so it will live on forever.

"We are trying to do several things. The first is to help emphasize how important it is to include Latino history and culture in our understanding of Pueblo's past," said Marjorie McIntosh, coordinator of the Boulder County Latino History Project, a collaborative, grass-roots enterprise.

McIntosh, who retired as a distinguished professor after teaching history for 28 years

at the University of Colorado at Boulder, held a two-day workshop called Keeping Pueblo's Latino History Alive that began Friday at Colorado State University-Pueblo and continues today.

"We also are talking about the importance of preserving the sources of information that tell us about that past. That could be photographs, newspaper clippings, oral history interviews and all of those things because if we don't take care of them physically, they won't be here for the future," McIntosh said.

"We need to make sure that our grandchildren still have access to that information."

McIntosh said the team also is encouraging people to become advocates on behalf of Latino history.

"That is to talk in their families, their community groups, their churches, at school about why Latino history and culture are an important part of Pueblo's

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heritage," she said.

"Pueblo has been a very diverse community since the beginning, and we need to make sure that inclusive approach is part of our thinking about its history."

Although the workshop is not for teachers, McIntosh said a larger concern is to make sure information about Latinos gets into the schools.

"We think that all children need to recognize that ours is a diverse society and that's what has made it so strong. And we realize also that for Latino young people, it's particularly important to know something about their own heritage, so that they can take pride in it. They can develop a positive identity," McIntosh said.

In summer 2013, the project had 10 high school and college interns working with it, together with 75 community volunteers.

They videotaped oral histories, produced films of places important to Latinos, used many written sources and produced computer-based maps showing Latino-headed households in each decade of the 20th century.

"I taught history at CU-Boulder for a long time, but not in this area. And then when I retired, I thought I'd like to learn more about this," McIntosh said.

"Since there wasn't anything, we then began talking with leaders of the local Latino community to say that there seemed to be this gap. Everybody said, 'We know there's a gap. We are desperate to fill it or we are going to leave without a footprint unless we can do something to get our history into view.'"

Boulder community leaders in the area, including McIntosh, who wrote Latinos of Boulder County, Colorado, 1900-1980, set out on a mission to establish, share and teach the history of the local Latino community.

As a partner in this endeavor, CU Boulder faculty, staff and students worked with the Latino History Project's team to gather stories in the community and then translated McIntosh's book into applicable curriculum for local K-12 schools to adopt and implement in their history classes.

The new curriculum is being taught this fall in schools across St. Vrain and Boulder valleys.

"We gathered a large amount of information, put it up on a website, wrote two books about it and then began running workshops for teachers. That was the first stage," McIntosh said.

She said other communities, including Pueblo, later started reaching out to the Latino History Project to do something similar and ask for a partnership.

"We now are partnering with four groups in

Pueblo: the Pueblo City-County Library District, CSU-Pueblo Archives, the Steelworks Center of the West and El Pueblo History Museum."

There are other partnerships in the Trinidad area and in the southern San Luis Valley.

Four participants in Friday's sessions were students including two local high school students and two college students. The rest were all community members.

Linda Arroyo-Holmstrom, of the Latino History Project, led the group in several activities including discussions

on why it is important to record and now save the experiences of Hispanics/Latinos in Pueblo in the past and present.

Participants also learned how to preserve and keep information about sources they may have at home.

There were several other speakers Friday.

Some participants brought in things from their history and culture to share with the workshop.

"We see this as a collective enterprise. Not just one person or a few people leading it," McIntosh said.

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Marjorie McIntosh, who retired as a distinguished professor after teaching history for 28 years at the University of Colorado at Boulder, held "Keeping Pueblo's Latino History Alive," a two-day workshop that began Friday at Colorado State University-Pueblo. (CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/ANTHONY A. MESTAS)



Marcie Abeyta, right, looks at a historical photo Friday during a workshop at Colorado State University-Pueblo Friday on Pueblo Latino history. Patricia Chirba looks on. (CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/ANTHONY A. MESTAS)

## CALENDAR

### STANDING TODAY

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Martinez Blvd., 330-465-0193.

**Pueblo Chess Club:** 6:30 p.m.

## AT THE LIBRARY

New Books  
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### **Fiction**

"Wunderland," by Jennifer  
Cody Epstein\*  
"The Mother-in-Law," by  
Sally Hepworth\*  
"Metropolis," by Philip Kerr\*  
"Two Weeks," by Karen  
Kingsbury\*  
"Machines Like Me," by Ian  
McEwan\*  
"Neon Prey," by John  
Sanford\*

### **Non-Fiction**

"Lessons From Lucy: The  
Simple Joys of an Old,  
Happy Dog," by Dave  
Barry\*  
"The Second Mountain: The  
Quest for a Moral Life," by

David Brooks\*  
"**Crosby, Stills, Nash, and  
Young:** The Wild, Definitive  
Saga of Rock's Greatest  
Supergroup," by David  
Browne\*

"**Fifty Things That Aren't  
My Fault:** Essays From the  
Grown-up Years," by Cathy  
Guisewite\*

"**America Before:** The Key  
to Earth's Lost Civilization,"  
by Graham Hancock\*

"**D-Day Girls:** The Spies  
Who Armed the Resistance,  
Sabotaged the Nazis, and  
Helped Win World War II,"  
by Sarah Rose\*

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