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**InfoZone finds new-found popularity with face lift**

**Pueblo, Colo.** – If you build it, they will come. If you remodel it, even better.

Since its inception 9 years ago, the InfoZone Museum has been a focal point of the Rawlings Library to bring historic and current news events, exhibits, quality films and the promotion of literacy all into one space. With that mission accomplished, it’s now bringing something even more important to the library — people.

InfoZone attendance reached an all-time high in 2012 with 43,058 visitors. That’s an increase of more than 15,000 than 2011, which attracted 27,729 people and approximately 5,000 more people than the previous record held in 2004, which numbered 38,213 visitors.

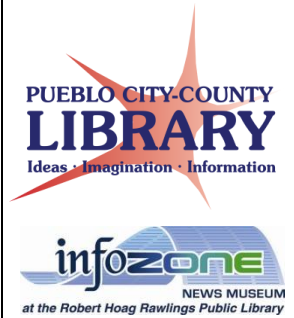
Why the dramatic increase? InfoZone Manager Maria Tucker attributes the success to the expansion of the InfoZone News Museum back in April of 2012. “New, interactive exhibits were unveiled,” Tucker said. “Several rotating and traveling exhibits such as the 50th Anniversary of the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project, From Hugo to Houdini: The Art of Brian Selznick and *Pueblo Past and Present* were installed and very well received by the public.”

Other upcoming public exhibits include InfoSpace! A series of space-themed programs and exhibits featuring *Earth From Space* — a poster exhibit of satellite images of Earth from the U.S. Geological Survey and the Smithsonian Institution. The exhibit will also include "zoomable" satellite images. Also on view will be a scale model from NASA’s GRAIL Mission on loan from Lockheed Martin. *Dinosaurs Eggs and Babies* will be on exhibit in summer of 2013.

In addition to artistic and educational exhibits, the InfoZone also hosts the Independent Film Series every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. It houses Pueblo’s only independent movie theater which shows award-winning, non-rated films from around the world. Located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Rawlings Library, all InfoZone movies are free.

Ideas, imagination, information and affordability, the InfoZone’s got it all. Come and see for yourself! For more information, call 562-5604 or visit the library website at [www.pueblolibrary.org](http://www.pueblolibrary.org).

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