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## **Summer Reading concludes Aug. 12!**

There are a few more weeks left of Summer Reading. Are you registered? Kids have until Aug. 12 to finish their game boards and recieve a medal. Adults receive a \$5 Books Again coupon just for signing up! All programs listed below are for adults and free and open to the public unless otherwise specified. To register for programs call 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org.

#### ACTING

#### Drama workshop

**Locations Key:** 

AV Avondale Satellite

**BK Barkman** 

Thursdays, Aug. 4, 11 6 p.m., PW, Storytellers room Teens/adults. All skill levels. Pueblo West Community Theater helps with acting

techniques.

## Pueblo West Community Theater

Teens/Adults. All skill levels. Play performance: Friday, Aug. 12 6 p.m., PW, King Rooms A and B

## **BICYCLING EVENTS**

#### **Ride and Seek Bicycle Scavenger Hunt** Monday, Aug. 1-31, GV

All ages. Pick up a scavenger list and explore the neighborhood by bicycle! Turn in completed forms for a chance to win prizes provided by Pueblo Active Community Environments (P.A.C.E.).

#### **Cruisin' Pueblo Bicycle Rides** Thursdays, Aug. 4, 11 6 p.m. meet at Bingo Burger

6:30 p.m. cruise

Community social bike rides for all ages, abilities. Prize drawings throughout the summer. Must sign waiver. Participate at own risk. For more information contact stephanie. chambers @activepueblo.net.

#### **National Bike Challenge**

Saturday, Aug. 13, all library locations All ages. A fun and friendly local (and national) competition. Track and submit miles ridden on a bicycle May-Sept., start a worksite team and compete on the leader board for prizes! For more information on the National Bike Challenge, visit activepueblo.net.

#### **BOOK CLUBS** Giodone Book Club Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2 p.m., GI

*The Buried Giant* by Kazuo Ishiguro. Join your neighbors for tea and lively discussions.

#### Daylight Book Club

Wednesday, Aug. 3, 10 a.m., PW Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd

#### **Cook the Book Club** Saturday, Aug. 27, 1 p.m., LB



Double Fudge Brownie Murder by Joanne Fluke. Read a book and then eat a dish inspired by it. This potluck-style book club will satiate your appetite for literary discussion (and for snacks!)

#### **Mystery Book Club**

**Thursday, Aug. 18, 7 p.m., PW, GLFC Room** *The Nature of the Beast* by Louise Penny

#### **Pueblo West Book Club**

**Monday, Aug. 29, 7 p.m., PW, GLFC Room** *Dead wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson

#### **Recreational Reading: B.Y.O.B.** Mondays, Aug. 15

#### 6:30 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Not your ordinary book club. Bring your own book and enjoy dessert and discussion on favorite books read during the month.

#### **Evening With the Author**

#### Wednesday, Aug. 31, 7 p.m., GV

Enjoy wine and cheese as author Carol DeMent discusses her first novel, Saving Nary. The book draws from DeMent's experience living in Thailand for over two years and working as a volunteer and professional in the field of Southeastern Asian refugee resettlement.

## More Summer Reading events on pages 6 and 7!

#### Hours:

Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Greenhorn, Giodone and Lucero only) Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. (Greenhorn, Giodone and Lucero only) Sunday (Rawlings only) 1 – 5 p.m.

Phone: 562-5600

#### Locations: Barkman Library 1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Greenhorn Valley Library 4801 Cibola Dr. Colorado City, Colo. Giodone Library 24655 U.S. Hwy 50 E.

Lamb Library 2525 S. Pueblo Blvd. Library @ the Y 3200 Spaulding

#### Lucero Library 1315 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St. Pueblo West Library 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd. Rawlings Library 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Satellite library locations: Avondale Elementary 213 Hwy. 50 E. Beulah School 8734 Schoolhouse Ln.

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## <mark>Events Calendar</mark> August 2016

- Exhibits in August: • Ansel Adams: American Photographer and Conservationist Monday, Aug. 1-Thursday, Sept. 1, RA, Hispanic Resource Center-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
  - Eat Well, Play Well
     Monday, Aug. 1-Sept. 11, RA,
     InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
  - Exercise Your Mind Monday, Aug. 1-31, all library locations
  - Ruth Gast Santos and Southwest Collection Monday, Aug. 1-Sept. 26, RA, Hispanic Resource Center-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
  - Tools of an Outdoor
     Photographer
     Monday, Aug. 1-Thursday,
     Sept. 1, RA, Hispanic Resource
     Center-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
  - Water Color Society Monday, Aug. 1-31 PW, Vectra Art Gallery

#### Events happening all summer:

- Monday, Aug. 1-Aug. 31 Interactive community Garden, RA
- Monday, Aug. 1-Aug. 31
   Ride and Seek Bicycle
   Scavenger Hunt, GV
- Thursdays, Aug. 4, 11 6 p.m., Cruisin' Pueblo Bicycle Rides, Bingo Burger
- Monday, Aug. 1-Aug. 12 Pueblo West Geocaching Scavenger Hunt, PW
- Saturdays, Aug. 6, 20
   to Saturday, Oct. 29
   Greenhorn Valley Farmers
   Market, every other Saturday
   9 a.m.-1 p.m., GV, parking lot

#### Recurring Programs:

Monday-Friday (Aug. 1-12)

 all day, Back to School Craft, GI

#### Mondays-Wednesdays

(starting Aug. 15) • 3:30-5:30 p.m., Teen Hang Outs, PW

#### **Mondays**

- all day, Collage/Mixed Media Art, RA, Idea Dome-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 10 a.m. Swedish Weavers & Needlework Group, PW, King Room A
- 1-3 p.m., Pueblo Storytellers, RA, Thurston Room
- 1 p.m., Lamb Needlework Club, LB
- 5 p.m., Yarn Club, GV
- 7 p.m., English Conversation club, PW

## The best library possible

#### by Jon Walker



I recently received an email written by a local community member. She expressed concern about the library. In particular, she could not find books of current appeal to her. I am grateful for her interest in the library and will use points from her email

to illustrate some important aspects of modern public library service.

## **Check this out!**

#### Database Highlight: Job Now

Resource available to residents of Pueblo County with a valid library card. Go to http://www. pueblolibrary.org/online\_resources/job\_skills

Perhaps the single most vital facet of the public library's mission is to ensure our community enjoys free and broad access to information. In recent years, library resources are evermore online and digital rather than paper in format. This also is the case today for information generally speaking across the United States and around the world. I cite as but one small example the writer's choice to use email to express her concern about the library rather than a postal letter or some other manner.

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**Best use:** Provides user with resume templates, career planning resources and links to job searching websites. Job Now has live interview coaches as well as interview tips and how to dress.

## HOMEBOUND

For more info: call 553-0233 or email homebound@pueblolibrary.org.



#### Volunteers needed!

Looking for an enjoyable way to make a difference? Help deliver/retrieve library materials to and from customers who are unable to visit.

#### Homebound Services applications go green!

Send applications electronically! Go to pueblolibrary.org. From the Services tab; select Homebound.

## **ADULT LITERACY**

For more info: Jackie Swanson at 553-0206 or email jackie.swanson@pueblolibrary.org.

#### **Wanted: Adult Learners**

Improve reading and writing skills, sign up for a tutor today!

#### **Become a volunteer**

Help someone to improve their reading and writing skills. Be a tutor and change lives!



#### English Conversation Club Mondays, 7 p.m., PW

Practice your English conversation skills in this friendly group. All levels are welcome.

## **FESTIVAL**

**Day At the Lake** Saturday, Aug. 27, 10 a.m. Lake Beckwith, Colorado City Kayak race registration: 10 a.m., Races: 11 a.m.

#### Lunch, other activities to follow.

Join others for a day of community and family fun! Enter the kayak race for a chance to win great prizes and enjoy \$1 hot dog lunches, a fishing derby, paddling lessons and a nature trail story walk! Sponsored by PCCLD, Volunteers for Community, Greenhorn Valley Chamber of Commerce, Colorado City Parks and Recreation and Greenhorn Valley View.



## **Inaugural Le Bal de Bibliotheque and Leadership Institute**

On July 16, 10 Leadership Institute honorees in grades 9-12 were presented to the community during a Pueblo Library Foundation fundraiser and debutante-style ball. This is the innaugural Leadership Institute class. For more information about the program contact Midori Clark at midori. clark@pueblolibrary.org or call 719-562-5605. Photos by Juliana Rothbaum Photography unless otherwise stated.



Tables set up on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor foyer. Photo by Dave Hayden.



Fresh salad and a French desert greeted attendees at Le Bal de Bibliotheque.



The participants prepare for their entrance while guests take to their seats. Photo by Gloria Madrill.



One of the participants, Aleea Turner, with her father, Jeffery Turner.



The Leadership Institute participants with their escorts after being presented.



A first dance in the Idea Dome was enjoyed by the participants and their escorts.



Marv and Sandy Stein with Le Bal de Bibliotheque donors, Drs. Reiko and Mark Clark.

#### August 2016

- Tuesdays
  - 9 a.m. Tai Chi classes, GV
  - 10:30 a.m., (not Aug. 23, 30) Actividades de Verano en la Biblioteca, GI
  - 10 a.m., Your Library Online, PW, King Room A
  - 10:30 a.m., Tech Tuesdays, Gl.
    1 p.m., Cast-Offs Knitting and Fiber Art Group, PW,
  - GLFC Room • 1-3 p.m., (not Aug. 9), "Yarnies",
  - RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
    4:30 p.m., Tinker Lab, GV
  - 6 p.m., Mah Jongg Club, PW, GLFC Room
  - 6:30 p.m., Teen Tuesdays, RA, Teen Space, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

#### Wednesdays

- 10 a.m., PreSchool Music and Exercise Time, Gl
- 6:30 p.m., Belly Dancing Classes, PW (until Aug. 24)

#### Thursdays

- 9 a.m. Tai Chi classes, GV
- 12:30-3 p.m., Get your Game On, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 1-3 p.m., Crafty Needles, BK
  3:30 p.m., Thursday Hang
- Outs, RA, Youth Program Room
- 5 p.m., (not Aug. 25) Anime Club, LB
- 5:30-7 p.m., (not Aug. 25) Maker Club, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor

#### **Fridays**

- 3 p.m., Anime Club, PW
- 3:30 p.m., Family Movie
   Afternoons, BK
- 6 p.m., (except Aug. 26) Scrapbooking Club, GV

#### 1 Monday

- 7 p.m., Barkman Book Club, BK
- 7 p.m., Wool & Wine: Colorado Day Ornaments, GV

#### 2 Tuesday

- 2 p.m., Giodone Book Club, Gl
   2-3:30 p.m., Computer
   Classes: Intro to Computers,
- RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
  6 p.m., Mah Jongg club, PW, GLFC Room
- 5:30 p.m., Pueblo West Writers Group, Jerry King A
- 8-10 p.m., Teen Summer Reading Party, RA

#### 3 Wednesday

- 10 a.m., Daylight Book Club, PW
  11 a.m., Up (PG), RA,
- InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 2 p.m., What a Melon! Seed Spittin' Contest, GV
- 2-3:30 p.m., Grandfolks Online: E-mail, RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 3 p.m., Up (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 6-8:30 p.m. Sew Happy, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 6:30 p.m., *Julie & Julia* (PG-13), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### August 2016

- <mark>4 Thursd</mark>ay
  - 3 p.m., Learn Karate, Gl
  - 5 p.m., Anime Club, LB
  - 6 p.m., Drama workshop, PW, Storytellers room

#### <mark>5 Frid</mark>ay

• 2 p.m., Learn Karate, GV

#### <mark>6 Saturd</mark>ay

• 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Greenhorn Valley Farmers Market, GV

- 10:30 a.m., Minecraft Gaming Session, Gl
- 12:30 p.m., Southeastern Colorado Genealogy Society, RA, Bret Kelly
- Room A • 1-3 p.m., Water Color
- Society reception, PW
   2 p.m., *Bedtime Stories* (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 3 p.m., Craft Club, LB

#### <mark>7 Sundav</mark>

• 2 p.m., *Bedtime Stories* (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### 8 Monday

2 p.m., Pokemon Buttons, LU

#### <mark>9 Tuesday</mark>

- 2-3:30 p.m., Computer Classes: Microsoft Excel Basics, RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 3 p.m.,Smokey Bear Birthday Party!, RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 3:30 p.m., Paddington (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
   3:30-5 p.m., Free Legal Self
- Help Clinic, LB
  4 p.m., Take a Break: Bath
- Fizzies!, BK
- 5:30-6:30 p.m., Family Craft Time, Gl
- 6 p.m., Mah Jongg club, PW, GLFC Room
- 6-8 p.m., Genealogy Research sessions, RA, Special Collections-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 6:30 p.m., Essential Secrets
   of Successful Investing in
- Any Market, RA, Bret Kelly A

#### 10 Wednesday • 11 a.m., Kung Fu Panda 3 (PC) PA Info Zono 4th floor

- (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
   2-3:30 p.m., Grandfolks
   Online: Facebook, RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 3 p.m., *Kung Fu Panda 3* (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 5:30-6:30 p.m., Couponeers, GI
- 6-8:30 p.m. Sew Happy, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 6:30 p.m., The Hundred-Foot Journey (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 6:30 p.m., Home Food Production with a TowerGarden, RA, Bret Kelly A

#### **11 Thursday**

- 5 p.m., Teen Advisory Board, GI
- 6 p.m., Drama workshop, PW, Storytellers room

## What's happening at the library (more on page 10)

For more info/questions on programs please call 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org.

El Movimiento

de Pueblo

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

#### Barkman Book Club

Monday, Aug. 1, 7 p.m., BK

*The Court and the World: American Law and the New Global Realities* by Stephen Breyer.

#### **NEW!** Barkman Bookworms

Fridays, Aug. 12, 26, noon-3 p.m., BK Read any book. All are welcome!

#### **El Movimiento presentation and book signing** Thursday, Sept. 1, 6:30 p.m., InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

*ElMovimiento* is a march through the changing times of the early 1970s in Pueblo, Colo. Eleven Pueblo authors researched and wrote the chapters of the book. These are the stories of the change makers and those who fought for their civil rights in Pueblo, Colo. Pueblo was a strategic location in the state

and hosted national speakers and conferences. War on poverty monies from the Johnson administration poured in creating opportunities for changes in education, health and housing. Returning Vietnam veterans raised their voices and provided leadership on the home front at the local colleges and in the community. Refreshments provided.

## CLASSES/PROGRAMS

Free Legal Self-Help Clinic Tuesday, Aug. 9, 3:30-5 p.m., LB

Registration required. Call 562-5672.

A FREE legal clinic for parties who have no attorney, via computer link.

#### **Essential Secrets of Successful Investing in Any Market** Tuesday, Aug. 9 and Thursday, Aug. 11

#### 6:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A

An exciting, two-part course, covering everything about investing. Learn from local, licensed advisor Ron Phillips and receive complimentary materials.



#### **Introduction to Tarot Cards** Thursday, Aug. 18, 5-6 p.m., GI

Adults. Learn to use this ancient tool of divination to improve life and reach goals.

#### Survivor Series - Food Storage and Budgeting for an Emergency Thursday, Aug. 25 5:30-7 p.m., GI

Adults. Learn to start a food storage, what you might need and ways you can build your food storage on a budget while budgeting for emergencies.



#### A glimpse into the anthropological view of aging Tuesday, Aug. 16, 6 p.m., PW, King Room B

Hear from social-anthropologist, Dr. Marina Cunin Borer as she discusses the aging of our ancestors.

## Discovering the Anza Legacy presentation with John W. Anderson

Saturday, Aug. 27, 2:30 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4<sup>th</sup> floor Historical presentation based on Governor Juan

Bautista de Anza's military campaign against the fierce Comanche War Chief Cuerno Verde. While the legacy of Juan Bautista de Anza has been very well established throughout much of the American Southwest, his influence during the 18<sup>th</sup> Century remains relativelv unknown across today's Northern New Mexico and Southern Colorado.



John W. Anderson

#### **Attention Elder Scrolls fans!**

Tuesday, Aug. 30, 5-6 p.m., GI Adults. PC users only. Bring: A USB drive if you

don't have a CD/ DVD drive to get the game files. A special session to see how the franchise began. Receive a FREE CD-r copy of *The Elder Scrolls I:* 



Arena (with printable manual and game guide).

**Discover Pueblo's Connection to Nueva España** Friday, Sept. 9, 6:30 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4<sup>th</sup> floor Tickets \$10. Tickets may be purchased at Pueblo Heritage Museum, 201 W. B St. For information call 295-1517. Enjoy a lively discussion of the Spanish colonial period of Nueva España and the traditions of that time period and how it continues to influence Pueblo's culture today. Live music, dancing and refreshments. Co-sponsored by Pueblo Heritage Museum and the Fray Angelico Chavez Chapter of the Genealogical Society of Hispanic America. Funds raised support Pueblo Heritage Center.

#### CRAFTS Wool & Wine: Colorado Day Ornaments

Monday, Aug. 1, 7 p.m., GV



**Registration required. Ages 21 and up.** Create felted Colorado flag ornaments in celebration of Colorado Day with the Felted Dog! **Bring:** favorite picnic food to

share. Drinks provided.

Lamb Needlework Club Mondays, Aug. 1-29, 1 p.m., LB

**Fiber Art Club "Yarnies"** Tuesdays, Aug. 2, 16, 23, 30 1-3 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor

## **Movies @ the Library**

See a favorite film at one of the many library locations listed!



# All movies are free!



Movies held at Rawlings Library InfoZone, 4th floor unless otherwise specified.

#### **Smokey Bear Birthday Party! Film**

**Paddington** (PG) **Tuesday, Aug. 9, 3:30 p.m.** Enjoy a movie and popcorn as part of Smokey's birthday celebration!

#### **Kids Movie Matinees**

Saturdays/Sundays, 2 p.m. Bedtime Stories (PG) Aug. 6, 7 Into the Woods (PG) Aug. 13, 14 Descendants (NR) Aug. 20, 21 Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG) Aug. 27, 28

#### Summer Reading Kids movies

Wednesdays, 11 a.m., 3 p.m. Up (PG) Aug. 3 Kung Fu Panda 3 (PG) Aug. 10 Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events (PG) Aug. 17

#### Adult Movie Night

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. Julie and Julia (PG-13)Aug. 3 The Hundred-Foot Journey (PG) Aug. 10 Joy (PG-13) Aug. 17 Everest (PG-13) Aug. 24 Gods of Egypt (PG-13) Aug. 31

#### **Hispanic Resource Center**

Adults. Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Mexican Suitcase (NR) Aug. 11

**Family Movie Afternoons** Fridays, 3:30 p.m., BK



**Open Air Movie:** *The Sandlot* (PG) **Friday, Aug. 26, 7:30 p.m., GV** Pack lawn chairs, blankets and a picnic basket and join the library for an outdoor screening of this all-time classic! Popcorn provided.



#### **Independent Film** Saturday, Aug. 20, 6:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross (German with English subtitles)

Maria, a fanatical Catholic girl, learns and aspires to go through the 14 Stations of the Cross in order to reach Heaven and cure her beloved brother's autism.

#### **Pueblo Pride 2016 Movie Screening**

**Sunday, Aug. 21, doors open at 5:30 p.m.** Refreshments and movie to follow.

#### August 2016

- 6:30 p.m., Essential Secrets of Successful Investing in Any Market, RA, Bret Kelly A
- 6:30 p.m., Mexican Suitcase (NR), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### 12 Friday

- noon-3 p.m., Barkman Bookworms, BK
- 4-5 p.m., Pokemon Go Fan Party, Gl
- 6 p.m., Pueblo West
- Community Theater, PW, King Rooms A and B

#### 13 Saturday

- all day, National Bike Challenge, all locations
- 10 a.m., Neuromuscular Training: The Key to Movement Efficiency and Injury Prevention, GV
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Adult Anime Club, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- noon-4 p.m., Anime Festival, PW
  2 p.m., *Into The Woods* (PG),
- RÅ, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
  2 p.m., Photography
  Workshop: Basics of Landscape Photography, RA,
- Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor • 2 p.m., Genealogy Club, PW
- 2 p.m., Genealogy Club, PW
  2:30 p.m., Read Dog, Read!, LB
- 4 p.m., Maker Studio, GV

#### 14 Sunday

- 2 p.m., Into The Woods (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 2 p.m., Origami Odyssey, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 2-4 p.m., Mesa Junction Art Bash, RA, Courtyard
- 2-4 p.m., Pueblo Light Connections Conversation Circle, RA, Bret Kelly A

#### 15 Monday

- 2 p.m., Cthulhu Wants YOU, BK
  4 p.m., Giant Operation
- Game, LU • 6:30 p.m., Recreation Reading, B.Y.O.B., RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor

#### 16 Tuesday

- 2-3:30 p.m., Computer Classes: Microsoft Word Basics, RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 4:30 p.m., Adult Coloring, BK
  6 p.m., A glimpse into the
- anthropological view of aging , PW, King Room B

#### 17 Wednesday

- 11 a.m., Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 2-3:30 p.m., RA, Grandfolks Online: Send/receive pictures, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 3 p.m., Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 4 p.m., Duct Tape Back to School Crafts, LU
- 6:30 p.m., *Joy* (PG-13), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### August 2016

#### **18 Thursday**

- 5-6 p.m., Intro to Tarot cards, GI
- 5 p.m., Anime Club, LB
- 7 p.m., Mystery Book Club, PW, GLFC Room

#### 19 Friday

- 2 p.m., Zoo Visit, LU
- 2 p.m., Lego Mania, GV
- 3 p.m., Mind Games, LB • 3 p.m., NEW! Chapter Book
- Club, GI
- 6-8 p.m., Minecraft Lock-Ins, BK, PW
- 6-8 p.m., Teen Summer **Reading Party, GV**

#### 20 Saturdav

- 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Greenhorn
- Valley Farmers Market, GV 10 a.m., Survival Plants of
- Colorado, GV, guided hike • 1 p.m., Nerdy Workouts, LB
- 2 p.m., Descendants (NR), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 4 p.m., A Brief History of Photography, Ra, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 6:30 p.m., Stations of the Cross (NR), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### 21 Sunday

- 2 p.m., Descendants (NR), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 5:30 p.m., Pueblo Pride 2016 Movie Screening, RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### 22 Monday

10 a.m.-2 p.m., Bonfils Blood Drive, RA, parking lot, Bonfils bus

#### 23 Tuesdav

• 2-3:30 p.m., Computer Classes: PowerPoint Basics, RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor

#### 24 Wednesday

- 2-3:30 p.m., RA, Grandfolks Online: Google Search, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 4 p.m., Essential Oils, GV • 6:30 p.m., Everest (PG-13),
- RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 7 p.m., Origami Odyssey. RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor

#### 25 Thursday

- 10 a.m.-noon, Fun with Fabrics, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 5:30-7 p.m. Survivor Series: Food Storage/Budgeting, Gl

#### 26 Fridav

- noon-3 p.m., Barkman Bookworms, BK
- 6-7:30 p.m., Minecraft Lock-In, LB
- 7:30 p.m., The Sandlot (PG), GV

#### 27 Saturday

- 9 a.m., Lacemakers of Southern Colorado, PW, **GLFC** Room
- 9-10:30 a.m., Community Seed Exchange, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- 10 a.m., Day at the Lake, Lake Beckwith, Colorado City

# EXERCISE READ Programs for adults

#### **CLASSES/PROGRAMS Pueblo West Geocaching Scavenger Hunt** Monday, Aug. 1-Friday, Aug. 12, PW

All Ages. Get to know the Pueblo West community through a geocaching scavenger hunt! Pick up the first GPS coordinate from the library, download the Google Maps app to a phone and set off to explore. Everyone who completes the scavenger hunt wins a prize!

#### **Photography Workshops**

Registration required. Space limited. Classes held at RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor unless otherwise specified. Members of the Southern Colorado Photography Society teach a variety of classes.

#### Saturday, Aug. 13, 2 p.m.: **Basics of Landscape Photography**

Saturday, Aug. 20, 4 p.m.:

A Brief History of Photography Saturday, Aug. 27, 10 a.m., Thurston Room: Working with Models

#### **Neuromuscular Training: The Key to Movement Efficiency and Injury Prevention** Saturday, Aug. 13, 10 a.m., GV

All ages. There are almost 200,000 neural receptors on the bottoms of feet and ten times more in fascia (tissue) than in muscles. Learn neuromuscular training that will allow for more grace of movement, balance and increased coordination with greater joint stability and less risk of injury.

#### **Mind Games**

#### Friday, Aug. 19, 3 p.m., LB

Improve memory and recall with puzzles, games.

#### **Curanderismo: It IS your Grandma's** Medicine . . . but it can be yours too! Saturday, Aug. 27

#### PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME: 11:30 a.m., RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

Dr. Eliseo Torres discusses the revival of traditional medicine in the U.S. and Mexico from Mayans and Aztecs to modern curanderos as healers. Hear how universities offer classes traditional medicine on and about common rituals including energetic cleansings (limpias), magical fright (susto), intestinal blockage (empacho) and see a demonstration of Dr. Eliseo "Cheo" Torres laugh therapy (risa terrapin).



#### **Registration required.** Supplies/samples provided. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 4 p.m., GV

Make whipped body butter with oils. Take home a scented jar.

#### CRAFTS **Craft Club**

#### Saturday, Aug. 6, 3 p.m., LB

Work on your own project or do a group led one! Variations for all ages. All ages. This month: Fun with feathers.

Swedish Weavers & Needlework Group Mondays, Aug. 1-29, 10 a.m. PW, King Room A

**Cast-Offs Knitting and Fiber Art Group** Tuesdays, Aug. 2-30, 1 p.m., PW, GLFC Room

#### Yarn Club

Mondays, Aug. 1-29, 5 p.m., GV

Scrapbooking Club Fridays, Aug. 5, 12, 19, 6 p.m., GV

#### **Maker Studio**

#### **Registration required.** Saturday, Aug. 13, 4 p.m., GV This month: Scented sachets and eye pillows

#### **Take A Break: Bath Fizzies!**

#### Tuesday, Aug. 9, 4 p.m., BK

Feeling stressed? Or need an uplifting experience? Come in and make a variety of Bath Fizzies! All ingredients provided.

## FESTIVALS

#### **Greenhorn Valley Farmers Market**

Saturdays, Aug. 6, 20-Saturday, Oct. 29 Every other Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., GV, parking lot All ages. Support local farmers and artisans at this

outdoor market that will feature produce, baked goods, handmade crafts and wares.

#### **Mesa Junction Art Bash**

Sunday, Aug. 14 2-4 p.m., RA, courtyard All ages. Arts, crafts, entertainment and fun!



## GARDENING

Home Food Production with a TowerGarden Wednesday, Aug. 10, 6:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A Explore easy and fun ways to grow produce as a way

#### to improve health. Great for beginners or small spaces! **Survival Plants of Colorado**

## Saturday, Aug. 20, 10 a.m., GV, guided hike

Registration required. Bob "Cattail" Seebeck leads a guided hike in the Greenhorn Valley. Learn about wild edible, medicinal, poisonous and tool-craft botany.

#### **Composting Class**

#### Saturday, Aug. 27, 2 p.m. GV

Teens/adults. CSU-Extension Office explains how to start composting to create free and nutrient-rich soil usable in gardens and houseplants.



## August Summer Reading

## HEALTH & EXERCISE

#### **Belly Dancing Classes** Wednesdays, Aug. 3-24, 6:30 p.m., PW

**Teens/adults.** Learn the art of belly dancing from Penny Teigen of The Society for Creative Anachronism. Wear loose, comfortable clothing and bring water.

#### **Pueblo Light Connection's Conversation Circle** Sunday, Aug. 14

2-4 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A

Pueblo's metaphysical and holistic community discusses beliefs and the body's energy system, how to cope as an empath and sharing intuitive abilities and more. Discussions led by Linda Weiner, Reiki Master and Metaphysical Teacher, Intuitive Counselor and Energy Healer.

#### Fitness on the Riverwalk\*

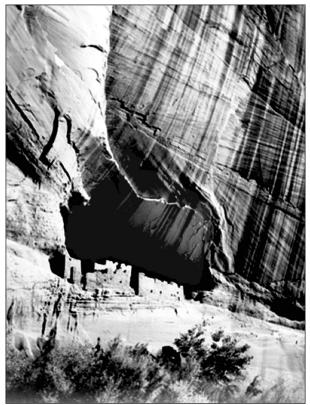
Monday, Aug. 1-12 Complete schedule at www.studiosharepueblo. com. Classes held at Pueblo Dodge Gateway Park

**Pavilion. All ages.** Join Studio Share of Pueblo on the Pueblo Riverwalk for an exciting new Fitness on the Riverwalk program. A variety of classes will be

offered throughout the summer for FREE!

## \*Health screenings, 6:30-8:30 a.m., Riverwalk

**Post screenings: Thursday, Aug. 11, Friday, Aug. 12** Parkview Mobile nurses offer screenings of height/ weight, Body Mass Index (BMI), body fat percent and waist circumference.



Salutation to the Fun: Laughter Yoga

#### **Saturday, Aug. 27, 10:30 a.m., GV** Unleash playfulness and inspire creativity using Laughter Yoga with the help of Kim Dillon, certified Laughter Yoga leader and teacher. Engage in gentle stretching, clapping and laughter exercises from a seated or standing position and end with guided relaxation.

#### **Nerdy Workouts**

Saturday, Aug. 20, 1 p.m., LB

**Teens/adults.** Use a love for fandom to get in shape! Create workous based on a book, movie or series.

## INTERACTIVE GROUPS Anime Club

Thursdays,Aug. 4, 11, 18, 5 p.m., LB Ages 13 and up. Discuss, draw, and watch anime!

Mah Jongg Club Tuesdays, Aug. 2, 9, 6 p.m., PW, GLFC Room

## Pueblo West Writers

Tuesday, Aug. 2, 5:30 p.m., PW, Jerry King A

#### TECHNOLOGY Tinker Lab

## Tuesdays, Aug. 2- 30, 4:30 p.m., GV

Ages 8 to adult. Join us for this multi-purpose workshop to share project ideas and learn about 3D printers, robotics, programming, and meet fellow maker-geeks who like to design, create, program and invent. Our first project will be to build our own RepRap 3-D printer!

## **EXHIBITS AT THE LIBRARIES**

## Ansel Adams: American Photographer and Conservationist

**Monday, Aug. 1-Thursday, Sept. 1 RA, Hispanic Resource Center-2<sup>nd</sup> floor** Southwestern photographs taken by Ansel Adams.

#### **Exercise Your Mind display**

**Monday, Aug. 1-31 All library locations** Experience images that deceive the eye by appearing to be something other than what it is.

#### **Tools of an Outdoor Photographer**

**Monday, Aug. 1-Thursday, Sept. 1 RA, Hispanic Resource Center-2<sup>nd</sup> floor** View tools used by photographer Ansel Adams and the outdoor photography tools of today.

#### **Ruth Gast Santos and Southwest Collection**

**Monday, Aug. 1-Sept. 26 RA, Hispanic Resource Center-2<sup>nd</sup> floor** View artwork from the Ruth Gast Santos and Southwest Collection on loan from The Sangre de Cristo Arts and Conference Center.

#### Water Color Society Art Exhibit Monday, Aug. 1-31 PW, Vectra Art Gallery Opening reception: Saturday, Aug. 6, 1-3 p.m.

Canyon de Chelly, vertical panorama from river valley. Photo by Ansel Adams.

#### Aug<mark>ust 2016</mark>

- 10 a.m., Photography Workshop: Working with Models, RA, Thurston room
- 10:30 a.m. Salutation to the Fun: Laughter Yoga, GV
- 11:30 a.m., Curanderismo: It IS your Grandma's Medicine
   ... but it can be yours tool, RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 1 p.m., Cook the Book Club, LB
- 1-2 p.m., Jello Art by MUSE, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 2 p.m. Composting Class, GV
- 2:30 p.m., Read Dog, Read!, LB
  2 p.m., Cloudy With a
- Chance of Meatballs (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 2:30 p.m., Discovering the Anza Legacy presentation, RA, Ryals Room-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### 28 Sunday

 2 p.m., Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (PG), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor

#### 29 Monday

• 7 p.m., Pueblo West Book Club, PW, GLFC Room

#### 30 Tuesday

 5-6 p.m., Attention Elder Scrolls fans!, GI

#### 31 Wednesday

- 5-7 p.m., Genealogy Research sessions, RA, Special Collections-3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- 6-8:30 p.m. Sew Happy, RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- 6:30 p.m., Gods of Egypt (PG-13), RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor
- 7 p.m., Evening with the Author, GV

## For more information on Youth Services events, please call 562-5600.

## Kids events

#### **Read Dog, Read!** Saturday, Aug. 13, 27, 2:30 p.m., LB



Practice reading! Read a story to a Canine Good Citizen certified dog from either Sit Means Sit: Go Team or the GHV Tale Waggers, Therapy Dogs International.

**Thursday Hang Outs** (for 1-5 graders) 3:30 p.m., RA, Youth Program Room



**Anime Festival** 

**Saturday, Aug. 13, noon-4 p.m., PW** Pueblo West anime club hosts an informative gathering about children's anime! Stop by to learn new fun anime suitable for children along with different games and activities.



Some library locations are taking a break in August!

### **PreSchool Music and Exercise Time**

Wednesdays, 10 a.m., GI Kids can sing, play instruments and get their wiggles out!

**NEW! August Family Storytimes** Saturdays, 10 a.m., RA

Stories, songs and activities.

## Don't miss these fun programs! Events for all ages



#### **Back to School Craft**

**Monday-Friday, Aug. 1-12, all day, GI** Fun before school starts up! Make a pencil pouch for school. While supplies last.

#### Actividades de Verano en la Biblioteca

**Tuesday, Aug. 2, 9, 16, 10:30 a.m., GI** Cuentos, manualidades y meriendas para familias de habla hispana.

## Books in the Park 9 a.m.-noon

#### Bessemer Park 843 W. Northern Avenue

Monday, Aug. 1 Monday, Aug. 8 Tuesday, Aug. 2 Tuesday, Aug. 9

## **Free Activities:**

Crafts, games, lunch and snacks provided. Win prizes for reading. Special storytimes for large groups may also be accommodated by request one week in advance. Call 562-5618 for details.

## What a Melon! Seed Spittin' Contest

Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2 p.m., GV Celebrate National Watermelon Day with juicy watermelon slices and a seed spittin' contest! Prizes for each age category.

#### **Craft Club**

Saturday, Aug. 6, 3 p.m., LB

Work on an individual project or do a group led one. Variations of each group led project for kids, teens and adults. This month's theme: Feathers.

#### **Pokemon Go Fan Party**

Friday Aug. 12, 4-5 p.m., GI

Show team spirit by making fun Pokemon crafts and costume items. Catch a few Pokemon while visiting!

#### **Mind Games**

#### Friday, Aug. 19, 3 p.m., LB

Love word puzzles, mind-benders and riddles? Enjoy an enlightening session of brain exercise, and learn how each activity helps boost brain function.

#### Giant Operation Game

**Monday, Aug. 15 4 p.m., LU** Play a game of lifesized Operation while learning how to keep the body healthy.



## Zoo Visit

**Friday, Aug. 19, 2 p.m., LU** See and learn about animals from the zoo. Make zoo themed crafts.

**Lego Mania** Friday, Aug. 19, 2 p.m., GV

Aug. 1-Sept. 11 Rawlings Library, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> Floor





What is in the food we eat? Are fruits and vegetables important? Can everyday activities burn calories?

Explore nutrition and fitness in this free, bilingual and hands-on interactive exhibit.

EAT WELL, PLAY WELL is produced and is toured by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industy. The exhibit is made possible by a Science Education Partnership Award (SEPA) grant from the National Center for Research Resources (NCRR), a component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

## Tween ... ages 8 - 12

#### **Learn Karate**

Thursday, Aug. 4, 3 p.m., GI Friday, Aug. 5, 2 p.m., GV Ages 8-12. Get introduced to the ancient art of karate with instructors from AKKA Karate USA-Pueblo.



**Minecraft Gaming Session** Saturday, Aug. 6 10:30 a.m., GI

**Minecraft Lock-Ins** Friday, Aug. 19, 6-8 p.m., BK, PW Friday, Aug. 26, 6-7:30 p.m., LB

**Ages 9-13.** Enjoy uninterrupted computer play for crafting, fort building and more! Registration required; attendance limited. A parent permission form MUST be submitted in order to attend if this is an after-hours event. Register in person or by calling 562-5600. Pick up a permission slip at your local library.



## **Scary Story Contest**

Deadline: Sept. 23

Writers from grade 2-adult are invited to write a mystery, suspenseful thriller or a humorous scary tale of a non-violent nature. Entry forms may be picked up at any library location or at http://www.pueblolibrary.org/scarystorycontest.

#### **Pokemon Buttons**

Monday, Aug. 8, 2 p.m., LU Ages 9 and up. Use button makers to make wearable art of your favorite Pokemon.

#### **NEW!** Chapter Book Club

Friday, Aug. 19, 3 p.m., GI Ages 8-13. Discuss *Ribsy* by Beverly Cleary.

#### Duct Tape Back to School Crafts

**Thursday, Aug. 17, 4 p.m., LU Ages 9 and up.** Create a backpack charm, pencil pouch and more!



## Teen ... for ages 13 and up

Teen Tuesdays

Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., RA, Teen Space, 2nd floor

#### Anime Clubs

Thursdays, Aug. 4, 18, 5 p.m., LB Fridays, 3 p.m., PW An hour to discuss, draw and watch Anime!

#### **Teen Advisory Board**

**Thursday, Aug. 11, 5 p.m., GI** Help plan for the upcoming Teen Science Cafe.

#### Cthulhu Wants YOU

Monday, Aug. 15, 2 p.m., BK

An afternoon of board games featuring the Great Old Ones. Save the world from insanity and destruction.

## **Teen Hang Outs**

Starting Monday, Aug. 15 Mondays-Wednesdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m., PW

Hangout with friends after school. Play games, have snacks, make crafts and listen to music.

#### **Nerdy Workouts**

#### Saturday, Aug. 20, 1 p.m., LB

Use a love of fandom to get in shape! Learn how to create a workout based on a favorite book, movie or series.



#### **Teen Summer Reading Party**

Tuesday, Aug. 2, 8-10 p.m., RA and Friday, Aug. 19, 6-8 p.m., GV

Ages 13-18. Celebrate the end of summer at this after-hours party! Those who finished the summer reading program MUST attend this party in order to be entered for the Grand Prize Drawing, which will happen at this event. A parent permission form MUST be submitted in order to attend this after-hours event. Register in person or by calling 562-5600. Pick up a permission slip at any library.

## Lots of deals at Books Again!



All hardback fiction books with authors whose last name begins with the letter N, O, P on sale for \$2 each.



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www.booksagain-pueblo.com

## TECH TIDBITS.

## **COMPUTER CLASSES**

Classes are free and open to the public. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. To register, call 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org and view the August 2016 events calendar. **Instructor:** Derrick Mason.

## Tuesdays, Aug. 2-23 2-3:30 p.m., RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor

Aug. 2: Intro to Computers Aug. 9: Microsoft Excel Basics Aug. 16: Microsoft Word Basics Aug. 23: PowerPoint Basics

### **Grandfolks Online**

Wednesdays, Aug. 3-31 2-3:30 p.m., RA, Training Room-3<sup>rd</sup> floor Bring: a notebook (optional) Aug. 3 Get an e-mail address Aug. 10: Set up Facebook and chat with family Aug. 17: Sending and Receiving Pictures Aug. 24: Google Searching – Find info on anything!

## What's happening at the library (continued from page 4)

For more info/questions on programs please call 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org.

#### **CRAFTS** Family Craft Time

**Tuesday, Aug. 9, 5:30-6:30 p.m., GI** Beat the heat, make your own heating/cooling pad. Freeze or microwave for sore muscles.

Crafty Needles, Thursdays, 1-3 p.m., BK

Lacemakers of Southern Colorado Saturday, Aug. 27, 9 a.m., PW, GLFC Room

#### **GARDENING 101** Interactive Community Garden All summer

#### RA, Idea Dome-2<sup>nd</sup> floor

A community garden space, featuring a variety of herbs and vegetables. Find information and tips about gardening and check out seeds from the seed library to start a garden.

#### **Community Seed Exchange** Saturday, Aug. 27, 9-10:30 a.m.

#### RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Join members of the Colorado Master Gardeners for this community seed exchange. Free and open to the public.

#### **GENEALOGY** Southeastern Colorado Genealogy Society

Saturday, Aug. 6, 12:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly Room A 12:30 p.m.: Navigating the U. S. Census by Phyllis Miranda

**2 p.m.:** A presentation on the resources at the Denver Public Library in the Western History/ Genealogy Department by Roger Dudley, archivist and research librarian at Denver Public Library.

#### **Research sessions** RA, Special Collections-3<sup>rd</sup> floor

**Tuesday, Aug. 9, 6-8 p.m. Instructor:** Charlene Simms **Focus:** New Mexico Genealogy

Wednesday, Aug. 31, 5-7 p.m. Instructor: Noreen Riffe Focus: Finding Lineage

**Genealogy Club** Saturday, Aug. 13, 2 p.m., PW

#### **HEALTH Tai Chi Classes** Tuesdays and Thursdays Aug. 2-Oct. 13, 9 a.m., GV

**Bring:** Room temperature water to drink after class, please wear comfortable clothing and shoes. This series of yang style long form tai chi classes increases flexibility, balance, mental clarity and memory. Enjoy a healthier body and mind!

## **Bonfils Blood Drive**

Monday, Aug. 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. RA, parking lot, Bonfils bus

To schedule your appointment, please contact the Bonfils Appointment Center at 800-365-0006, ext 2. Or feel free to visit as a walk-in to check appointment availability. Walk-in's are welcome and will be worked in around scheduled appointments. Please eat a hearty meal and drink lots of water before you donate blood!

#### INTERACTIVE GROUPS Anime Clubs

Thursdays, Aug. 4, 18, 5 p.m., LB Teens/adults. Draw and watch anime! library!

## Couponeers

Wednesday, Aug. 10,

**5:30-6:30 p.m., GI Adults.** Learn how to save money and get more with coupons.

## **Adult Coloring**

Tuesday, Aug. 16, 4:30 p.m., BK

## **Pueblo Storytellers**

Mondays, Aug. 1-29, 1-3 p.m., RA, Thurston Room

## Origami Odyssey

Sunday, Aug. 14, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 7 p.m. RA, Idea Factory-2<sup>nd</sup> floor Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### SPECIAL PARTY Smokey Bear Birthday Party!

**Tuesday, Aug. 9, 3 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4<sup>th</sup> floor** *Paddington* (PG), **3:30 p.m.** Celebrate Smokey's Birthday! A special appearance by Smokey. Enjoy a movie and popcorn following the party! Refreshments served.

## The best library continued from page 2

This ascendency of online information is a primary reason for the library district shifting resources and services. I have both spoken and written about this rather extensively. Here are two relevant citations: *The Ever-Evolving Library* (News & Events, June 2012), and *The Fiction Problem* (News & Events, December 2014).

The writer listed a few exact complaints in her email that can help serve to explain key features of today's public library. First, she writes that ". . . teachers and other researchers should know that reference material of any sort (except for Special Collections) is no longer available to the public."

Specifically, she reports a shortage of library books on Scotland's history and the Mexican-American War. The truth is that our local public library provides well over two-hundred books on these two topics according to my recent check into available library resources. Many of these now are e-books via library services such as The Cloud, Hoopla and Freading.

Moreover, thorough research via the public library on either of these topics (and almost any other) should include library subscription reference databases specially vetted for their accuracy, currency, and authority. Some recommended sources for Scotland's history and the Mexican-American War include America's Historical Newspapers (among the most comprehensive databases of full-text newspaper articles dating from 1690), Encyclopedia Britannica (renowned for its expert editorial staff and fact-checking), Gale Virtual Reference Library (includes reference books covering history and many other topics), Heritage Quest, History Reference Center, and World Geography and Culture.

Standard library reference resources such as these moved online at least ten years ago or longer. Such digital services have been successful in replacing most of the many volumes of bound paper sources of the past due in large measure to the computer's powerful capabilities for information storage and retrieval. I recommend using library services like these prior to turning to the consumer Internet via Google, Bing, or the like; which also are available at the public library.

She also writes about "rumors that any

book that has not been checked out in six months is removed from the shelf and destroyed. They are not in fact sent to the bookstore to be sold by the Friends of the Library, nor are they offered to other small libraries that might be able to use them." This is incorrect. Books are removed regularly from the public library collection for a number of reasons, including the information is outdated, the book's condition is too shabby, or lack of use, among other reasons. But the quickest a book is generally removed due to lack of use is one year.

This most often occurs for best-selling fiction where initial public demand might cause the library to procure up to 20 or more copies of a single best seller, but copies are withdrawn as demand shrinks. Withdrawn copies almost always are repurposed in one of the library district's outreach programs such as Books in the Park or Books a la Cart, or donated to the Friends of the Library for resale via their Books Again bookstore. Rarely do library staff literally throw away a book and, then, normally only when the book's poor physical condition dictates it. The library district continues to retain almost all noteworthy books and classics.

My own recent experience is illustrative. I found in the library's collection a copy of Soren Kirekgaard's classic nineteenth century book A Sickness Unto Death (1849) for a library customer who asked for it and the mid-twentieth century American archetypal work of fiction Breakfast of Champions (1973) by Kurt Vonnegut. I also checked out for personal interest the quintessential early twentieth century work The Jungle written by journalist and novelist Upton Sinclair, the 2004 bestselling biography Alexander Hamilton by Ron Chernow, and the 1916 standard by British author John Buchan entitled Greenmantle. The truth is the public library has never offered more books in greater variety to the public than it does today.

Finally, the writer noted this concern: "... I would like to know exactly what the library plans to do with that huge space that will be vacated by books." The total holdings of the library district has never been larger. PCCLD's collection consisted of 482,786 cataloged volumes as of December 31, 2015, which represents a 6.8 percent increase compared with one year before.

Nonetheless, the public library really is not about books. In fact, libraries predate books. The first libraries, some 4,000 years ago, were places where people accessed information via clay tablets in cuneiform script and papyrus scrolls with hieroglyphics. Of course, books play a key role in today's libraries, and they likely will continue to be important for years to come. But modern libraries are more than warehouses of books.

A public library mainly should be a beautiful, vibrant civic space dedicated for people to gather to study, read, view, create, exchange ideas and learn both autodidactically and together in groups of all sizes. This aspect of the public library is important for the vibrancy of our community, both today and in the future. It also is a big reason people are flocking to our libraries today.

They seek a public place in support of lifelong learning. In the library district's most recent year of operation (2015), we welcomed more visitors who checked out more library materials, attended more library educational and cultural programs and events, and used more library digital services than ever before in the history of local public library services here, *Reviewing the Past Year* (News & Events, February 2016).

Despite its current overall popularity, I understand the library is not always easy for everyone to navigate successfully on their own. Our librarians train regularly on the current science of information storage and retrieval in all formats, and how to teach library customers in effective library use. I encourage patrons to ask for expert librarian assistance when they are not successful researching on their own.

I appreciate this writer taking time to express her opinions about the library. I offer mine here in the same respectful spirit. While acknowledging that this does not guarantee everyone will be satisfied with their library experience, I believe we are doing great work in providing the best public library service possible for our community. Pueblo City-County Library District 100 E. Abriendo Ave. Pueblo, CO 81004 Non-Profit Organization U.S. Postage PAID Pueblo, Colorado Permit No. 89

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## PROGRAMS AT THE IDEA FACTORY, RA, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

For more information or to register contact Derrick Mason at 553-0213 or email derrick.mason@pueblolibrary.org.

#### Collage/Mixed Media Art

Mondays, Aug. 1-31, all day, Idea Dome

Create stunning works of art. Use provided supplies and used magazines to create collage art for display!



#### **Sew Happy**

Wednesdays, Aug. 3, 10 and 31, 6-8:30 p.m. All ages. Registration preferred.



An experienced s e a m s t r e s s with a passion to teach will be on hand to lead projects.

**Projects include: Aug. 3:** Wristlet pouch; **Aug. 10:** Decorate a t-shirt; **Aug. 31:** Tote bag.

#### **Get Your Game On**

**Thursdays, Aug. 4-25, 12:30-3 p.m.** Play Slither.io, Madden, MineCraft, Retro gaming and more! Learn to create your own video game. A new activity every week!

#### **Maker Club**

**Thursdays, Aug. 4, 11 and 18, 5:30-7 p.m.** Learn about 3D printing and other tools at the Idea Factory. It also provides a chance to meet creative people who like to make things. Bring your creativity and ideas!

#### Adult Anime Club - Dragon Ball Z: Resurrection F and Resepi Ramen

Saturday, Aug. 13, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Ages 18 and up. Registration recommended.

Fan of Anime and Manga? Enjoy Cosplay and Fan Fiction? Love to eat Ramen and Sushi? Join other enthusiasts to discuss films of all anime genres, work on creative projects and more!

#### Fun with Fabrics

Thursday, Aug. 25, 10 a.m.-noon

**Registration recommended.** Beginners and novices welcome. Sew an easy-to-make book tote, perfect for carrying reading material! All supplies are provided, bring your creativity and willingness to learn!



**3D Jello Art by MUSE** Saturday, Aug. 27, 1-2 p.m. Registration required. 3D gelatin art is edible artwork. Create a flower in the jello. Amaze guests by decorating your dining table with 3D jello flowers for desserts or gifts for friends.