

Library

PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY

news & events

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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. 7th St.
Pueblo West Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Rawlings Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Satellite library locations:

Avondale Elementary
947-3047
213 Hwy. 50 E.
Beulah School
485-3129
8734 Schoolhouse Ln.

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Lucero Library to open this month!

Bring the family for some fun! See the final of the three new libraries, make a craft, enjoy a historic photo exhibit and participate in numerous other activities!

Lucero Library
1315 E. 7th St.

Ribbon Cutting:
Begins at 10 a.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 9

Celebration:
Begins at noon
Saturday, Dec. 13



The Lucero Library is almost complete. Here is the exterior from November.

The fiction problem



by Jon Walker

During the early 20th century there was debate in this country about what was then known as The Fiction Problem. Popular fiction was frowned upon in the library world in favor of “more improving books.” This was the perspective of one librarian who wrote in 1906: “There is an indulgence in

the reading of trash novels which is destructive to the mind.”

Times change. By the 1970s, popular fiction was a mainstay in public libraries. Libraries in the latter part of the twentieth century commonly centered on a philosophy known by librarians at the time as Give ‘Em What They Want. This movement was characterized

by libraries focusing attention on providing materials people desired rather than materials librarians thought people needed. One result of this change was popular fiction collections in public libraries grew to previously unseen volumes in both size and use.

Now in the early 21st century libraries are evolving once again as information becomes increasingly digital and online. Today’s traditionalists now, as in 1906, are concerned about the change. Some are troubled about the loss of “real books” or even view this transition as an “insult” to “book readers.” The rhetoric has occasionally reached a higher pitch with absurd accusations of librarians “burning books.”

What is striking to me about these complaints is this. Public libraries in our community today have

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Library Closures

The Pueblo West Library will close at 5 p.m. on **Saturday, Dec. 6** due to the Parade of Lights. All libraries will be closed on **Sunday, Dec. 21, Wednesday, Dec. 24, Thursday, Dec. 25** and **Sunday, Dec. 28**. All libraries will close at 6 p.m. on **Wednesday, Dec. 31** and remain closed on **Thursday, Jan. 1**.



Events Calendar December 2014

1 Monday

- **AIDS Quilt reception, film and vigil**
6 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Barkman Book Discussion Group**
7 p.m., Barkman
- **Bilingual Storytime**
10 a.m., Rawlings

2 Tuesday

- **Mah Jongg (every Tuesday)**
6:30 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Preschool Storytime**
11 a.m., Library @ the Y
2:30 p.m., Barkman
- **Teen Advisory Board**
5:30 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
6:30 p.m., Rawlings (every Tuesday)
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Library @ the Y
10 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Pueblo West
10:30 a.m., Greenhorn Valley

3 Wednesday

- **A Winter's Tale (PG-13)**
6:30 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Baby Time**
10 a.m., Rawlings
- **Giant Games**
4 p.m., Barkman
- **Time for Tots**
10:30 a.m., Lamb
- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Rawlings

4 Thursday

- **Baby Time**
10 a.m., Pueblo West
- **Gingerbread Madness**
5 p.m., Giodone
- **Maker Club (every Thursday except 25)**
5:15-6:45 p.m., Rawlings, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Giodone
10:30 a.m., Greenhorn Valley
10:30 a.m., Pueblo West
- **Signing Stories**
10:30 a.m., Barkman
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Barkman
10 a.m., Giodone

5 Friday

- **Giant Games**
4 p.m., Giodone
- **Lego Mania**
10 a.m., Beulah Satellite

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never been busier or more engaged. More people are using our libraries than ever before. We will check out more than two million items this year alone. We have never circulated this many books and other materials in any single year ever in the history of the library district. Record numbers of individuals are attending library educational and cultural programs and events. And, of course, more people are using library digital services, too—including computers, the Internet, e-books, and more.

In many respects this seems to be a golden age for public libraries. Nevertheless, it is important to balance the new with the old. After all, the library has an obligation to ensure free and open access to information for everyone. This principle is fundamental to the role of the public library in America. It was so in the time of Jefferson and Franklin in the eighteenth century. It continued to be true through the nineteenth century when Andrew Carnegie gave generously to help establish the system of public libraries we still revere today. It remains accurate now as philanthropists like Bill Gates assist libraries in meeting the need for access in the digital age.

I assure you that library professionals at the Pueblo City-County Library District are dedicated to this task. Most librarians first entered this profession due to their passion for the bound monograph, or what some now refer to as the paper book. When you ask most people to describe a library today, they probably first mention the book. Yet libraries have not always been about books. They are not currently all about books. They are not likely to be all about books in the future.

Libraries predated books. The first libraries, 4,000 years ago, consisted of rooms full of clay tablets in cuneiform script and papyrus scrolls with hieroglyphics. Change has been occurring in libraries for literally thousands of years. In fact, it is reasonable to argue that so long as libraries are willing to adapt, their future is better guaranteed. It is only when libraries refuse or are unable to change that their future will become less certain.

Of course, the paper book does play a key role in today's libraries. But modern libraries are more than this. Books are important to libraries and will

continue to be important for years to come. Yet libraries make information available in a variety of formats in addition to books. Libraries also are community and cultural centers with busy study areas, reading and viewing spaces, rooms for larger public gatherings, and the offer of spirited cultural and educational programs and events that are free and open to everyone.

This aspect of the modern public library is important for communities, both today and in the future. Libraries should be beautiful and peaceful, yet vibrant public spaces where people freely gather together to read, listen, view, learn, create and exchange ideas. This is a big reason people are flocking to our libraries today. They seek that common public space devoted to lifelong learning. Yes, the library is more than simply a warehouse of books.

Not only do libraries furnish the venerable book, but also information in a variety of formats—CDs, DVDs, public-access computers, online reference databases, streaming video, e-books, e-audiobooks, and more. Today, we check out video games, language learning on USB drives and audiobooks preloaded on MP3 players. We circulate laptops, tablets and WiFi hotspots. We provide access to software and hardware that individuals might not afford in the home, such as 3D scanning and printing, audio and video recording production, graphic design, video editing, photography and web development capacity. But it is not all about high-tech. We also provide seed libraries (yes, seeds you plant and grow), bicycle locks, etc.. These new and alternative formats are definitely impacting how the library looks and how it is used. This trend will persist into the future for the successful public library.

We will continue to work diligently to give our users what they desire in paper, in online and digital formats, and, undoubtedly, in formats yet to come. The mission of the public library is to engage all members of our community with free and open access to information, lifelong learning, and literacy excluding no one. As Thomas Jefferson wrote: "A democratic society depends upon an informed and educated citizenry." The free public library is integral to this proposition. This is the promise that I am proudly committed to faithfully keep.

Community Blood Drive

Friday, Dec. 26, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Pueblo West



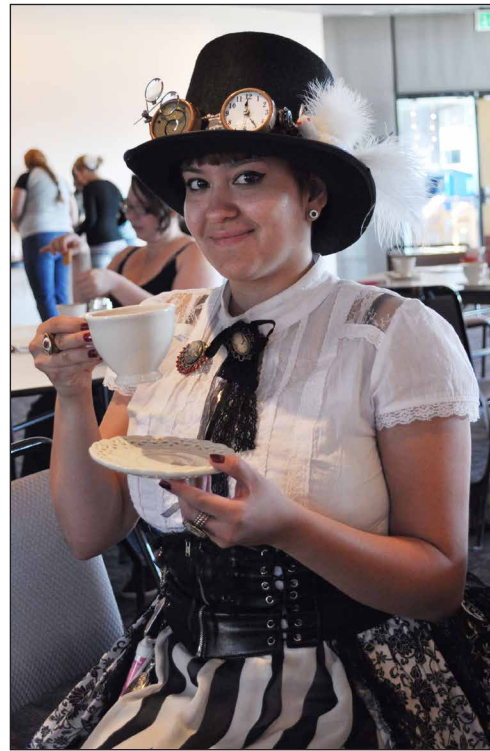
The donation of whole blood from one person can save up to three lives. Stop by to donate blood as a way to give back to those in need. To schedule an appointment, contact the Bonfils Appointment Center at 1-800-365-0006, ext. 2, or sign up online at www.bonfils.org, enter site code, No. 2753. Walk-ins are welcome and will be worked around scheduled appointments. **Please eat a hearty meal and drink lots of water before you donate blood!**



Children enjoy Halloween Storytime at Rawlings followed by a costume parade.



A Day of the Dead skull is painted on a young girl's face during the Annual Day of the Dead festival and Altar contest held at Rawlings Library in November. Patrons made sugar skulls, colored crafts and ate traditional Day of the Dead baked goods.



Twins and teens sported their best Steampunk attire in October during the Art of Tea Dueling Tea Party at Rawlings Library. The event was sponsored by the Buell Children's Museum. A variety of teas were sampled and tea cookies eaten in the duels.

December 2014

- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Lamb
10:30 a.m., Rawlings
- **Read, Dog, Read!**
2:30 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Rawlings

6 Saturday

- **Arthur Christmas (PG)**
2 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Nutcracker Stories and More!**
10 a.m., Barkman
2 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
- **Overdrive: Set-Up, Tablets, including iPad**
2-3 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Overdrive: Set-Up, Kindle and Nook**
3-4 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Pueblo West Library closes at 5 p.m.**

7 Sunday

- **Arthur Christmas (PG)**
2 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

8 Monday

- **Bilingual Storytime**
10 a.m., Rawlings
- **Grieving Over The Holidays After the Death of a Loved One**
10 a.m., Lamb
- **National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (PG-13)**
6:30 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **YWCA Time Capsule Exhibit opens**
Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

9 Tuesday

- **Giant Games**
5 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
- **Gingerbread Madness**
6 p.m., Rawlings
- **Preschool Storytime**
11 a.m., Library @ the Y
2:30 p.m., Barkman
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Library @ the Y
10 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Pueblo West
10:30 a.m., Greenhorn Valley
- **Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?**
2 p.m., Pueblo West

Celebrate good times! Let's open a library (or two) !



The Rye Elementary School choir performs at the Greenhorn Valley grand opening celebration.



Executive Director Jon Walker addresses the crowd at the Giodone Library ribbon cutting.



Library board members, community leaders and Friends of the Library prepare to cut the ribbon to open the Giodone Library as Executive Director of PCCLD Jon Walker looks on.



A girl opens a new book at the Greenhorn Valley Library.

December 2014

Events and programs at the InfoZone

10 Wednesday

- **Baby Time**
10 a.m., Rawlings
- **Crafty gifts**
7 p.m., Rawlings, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- **Dallas Buyers Club (R)**
6:30 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Gingerbread Madness**
5 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
- **Origami Odyssey**
7-8:30 p.m., Rawlings, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Rawlings
- **Time for Tots**
10:30 a.m., Lamb

Pueblo YWCA 100th Anniversary Time Capsule Contents Exhibit

Monday, Dec. 8-Dec. 31, Rawlings, InfoZone -4th floor



The YWCA is located on Sante Fe Dr. in Pueblo.

In recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the Pueblo YWCA, contents of the YWCA cornerstone time capsule will be on exhibit for a limited time at the InfoZone News Museum. The contents provide an interesting look at the history of the YWCA. The items in the collection will be digitized and available online as part of the PCCLD Digital Collection and returned with contemporary items into the YWCA cornerstone.

11 Thursday

- **Anime Club**
6 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Baby Time**
10 a.m., Pueblo West
- **Felted Cookie Cutter Ornaments**
6 p.m., Lamb
- **Genealogy Workshop**
1-3 p.m., Rawlings, Training Room-3rd floor
- **Gingerbread Madness**
4 p.m., Barkman
- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Giodone
10:30 a.m., Greenhorn Valley
10:30 a.m., Pueblo West
- **Signing Stories**
10:30 a.m., Barkman
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Barkman
10 a.m., Giodone

Genealogy Workshops

Thursday, Dec. 11, Thursday, Dec. 18, 1-3 p.m. Rawlings, Training Room-3rd floor. Two classes taught by Charlene Garcia Simms. Registration limited to 12 in each class. Register online at www.pueblolibrary.org or call 562-5600.

Give the gift of yesterday—learn to create a family tree as a Christmas gift! Learn basic genealogy using the census databases available at PCCLD such as Ancestry.com, and using our databases from home such as Heritage Quest and Vital Records.



12 Friday

- **Christmas Ornaments**
4 p.m., Giodone
- **FernGully (G)**
3:30 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Giant Games**
4 p.m., Lamb
- **Minecraft Lock-In Party**
6:30-8:30 p.m., Barkman
- **Passport Kids**
2 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Lamb
10:30 a.m., Rawlings
- **Read, Dog, Read!**
2:30 p.m., Rawlings
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Rawlings



Jane Milne with her autoharp.

Introduction to storytelling class for adults

Thursday, Jan. 15, 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings, Bret Kelly A

Join Jane Milne, storyteller and autoharp musician for an evening of fun. Learn pointers on how to develop and get started with your own stories and hear her "Ma and Pa" stories.

13 Saturday

- **Nutcracker in a Nutshell**
3 p.m., Pueblo West

2015 Annual Photography Show

Entries due Saturday, Jan. 10 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor.

Images on display Jan. 14-Feb. 27



Pueblo City-County Library District and the Southern Colorado Photography Society present the 2015 Annual Photography Show. For more information about entry fees, categories, and registration, email socolphoto@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page: Southern Colorado Photography Society, or call the library at 562-5626.

Movies @ the InfoZone

Seating at the InfoZone is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theater, but covered drinks are permitted. The InfoZone Theater is located on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.



All movies are free!



Weekend Kids Movies

Movies start at 2 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday

Arthur Christmas (PG) Dec. 6, 7

Santa Buddies (G) Dec. 13, 14

Nightmare Before Christmas (PG) Dec. 20

The Secret of NIMH (G) Dec. 27

Wednesday Night Movies

Movies start at 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday

A Winter's Tale (PG-13) Dec. 3

Dallas Buyers Club (R) Dec. 10

Now You See Me (PG-13) Dec. 17

Holiday Movies

Movies start at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

A Christmas Carol (2009) (PG) Dec. 22

Santa Clause (PG) Dec. 23

Rescuers (G) Dec. 26

Muppets Most Wanted (PG) Dec. 29

Charlotte's Web (animated) (G) Dec. 30

Open Season 3 (PG) Dec. 31

Winter Comedy Movies

Movies start at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (PG-13) Dec. 8

21 Jump Street (R) Dec. 15

Winter Matinee Movies

Movies start at 3:30 p.m. every Friday

FernGully (G) Dec. 12

Tim Burton's Corpse Bride (PG) Dec. 19

Independent Film

The Iran Job

English and Persian with English subtitles

Saturday, Dec. 20, 7 p.m.

When American basketball player Kevin Sheppard accepts a job to play in one of the world's most



The Iran Job

feared countries—Iran—he expects the worst. But what he finds is a country brimming with generosity, acceptance and sensuality. With a charismatic personality that charms everyone he meets, Kevin forms an unlikely friendship with three outspoken Iranian women who share with him their strong opinions on everything, from politics to religion to gender roles. Kevin's season in Iran eventually culminates in something much bigger than basketball: the uprising and subsequent suppression of Iran's reformist Green Movement—a powerful prelude to the sweeping changes currently unfolding across the Middle East in the wake of the Arab Spring.

Special Showing:

YWCA-Pueblo Alliance to combat human trafficking movie: *Taken* (PG-13)
Thursday, Jan. 8, 6:30 p.m.

A retired CIA agent travels across Europe and relies on his old skills to save his estranged daughter, who has been kidnapped while on a trip to Paris. This movie is shown in partnership by Pueblo City-County Library District, YWCA, Pueblo Alliance to Combat Human Trafficking and Community Alliance Group.

December 2014

• Nutcracker Stories and More!

11 a.m., Giodone

• *Santa Buddies* (G)
2 p.m., Rawlings,
InfoZone-4th floor

• **3D-printed gifts**
2 p.m., Rawlings, Idea
Factory-2nd floor

14 Sunday

• **Nutcracker in a Nutshell**

2 p.m., Rawlings

• *Santa Buddies* (G)
2 p.m., Rawlings,
InfoZone-4th floor

15 Monday

• **Bilingual Storytime**

10 a.m., Rawlings

• **21 Jump Street** (R)
6:30 p.m., Rawlings,
InfoZone-4th floor

16 Tuesday

• *Blancanieves* (Snow White) (PG)

6:30 p.m., Rawlings,
InfoZone-4th floor

• **Christmas Ornaments**
3:30 p.m., Barkman

• **Gingerbread Madness**
5 p.m., Lamb

• **Preschool Storytime**
11 a.m., Library @ the Y
2:30 p.m., Barkman

• **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Library @ the Y
10 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
Pueblo West
10:30 a.m., Greenhorn
Valley
11 a.m., Lucero

17 Wednesday

• **Baby Time**

10 a.m., Rawlings

• **Now You See Me** (PG-13)
6:30 p.m., Rawlings,
InfoZone-4th floor

• **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Rawlings
11 a.m., Lucero

• **Time for Tots**
10:30 a.m., Lamb

18 Thursday

• **Acorn Ornaments**
6 p.m., Giodone

• **Baby Time**
10 a.m., Pueblo West

• **Genealogy Workshop**
1-3 p.m., Rawlings,
Training Room-3rd floor

• **Gingerbread Madness**
5 p.m., Pueblo West

December 2014

- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Giodone
10:30 a.m., Greenhorn Valley
10:30 a.m., Pueblo West
- **Pueblo West Mystery Book Club**
7 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Signing Stories**
10:30 a.m., Barkman
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Barkman
10 a.m., Giodone

19 Friday

- **Giant Games**
4 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Lego Mania**
2 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
- **Preschool Storytime**
10:30 a.m., Lamb
10:30 a.m., Rawlings
- **Read, Dog, Read!**
2:30 p.m., Pueblo West
- **Sweater Mittens Program**
3 p.m., Giodone
- **Tim Burton's Corpse Bride (PG)**
3:30 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Time for Tots**
10 a.m., Rawlings

20 Saturday

- **Nightmare Before Christmas (PG)**
2 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Nutcracker Stories and More!**
2 p.m., Lamb
- **Preschool Dance Party**
10:30 a.m., Rawlings-Children's Storytime Room
- **The Iran Job**
7 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

21 Sunday

- **All library locations closed**

22 Monday

- **A Christmas Carol (PG)**
10 a.m., and 3 p.m., Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Greenhorn Valley Book Club**
6 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
- **Holiday Crafts and Activities**
All library locations through Jan. 2 while supplies last

TECH TIDBITS

Computer classes at Rawlings Library

Computer classes held in the Training Room on the 3rd floor will not be meeting in December.

Computer classes at Pueblo West Library

Computer classes held at Pueblo West Library will not be meeting in December.

OverDrive Classes

PCCLD offers an e-Book and e-Audiobook lending service through OverDrive. Please bring your device to set-up OverDrive, check out materials, and start reading! Please bring your device, charger cable, library card, and device account (username and password) information if applicable (Amazon account, Apple ID, Google login, etc.).

Overdrive – Set-up: Tablets, including iPad
Saturday, Dec. 6, 2-3 p.m., Pueblo West

OverDrive –Set-up: Kindle and Nook
Saturday, Dec. 6, 3-4 p.m., Pueblo West

Idea Factory at Rawlings Library-2nd Floor

For more information or to register, contact Susan Wolf at susan.wolf@pueblolibrary.org or 553-0213.

It's not too late to give personal handmade gifts this holiday season. These programs at the Idea Factory will show you everything you need to know!

Crafty gifts

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 7 p.m.

Get ideas for some very quick handmade gifts and make some beautiful and easy origami ornaments.

3D-Printed Gifts

Saturday, Dec. 13, 2 p.m.

Space is limited, preregistration required.

Be the coolest gift-giver this year by printing your very own 3D object. You will learn how to customize a pendant or ornament using Tinkercad and then send it to the printer! Each participant will receive one free pendant or ornament print.

Book Clubs at the branches

Barkman Book Discussion Group

Monday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

Book: Any holiday book will be discussed.

Greenhorn Valley Book Club

Monday, Dec. 22, 6 p.m.

Book: Used book swap. Bring a wrapped (gently used) book to exchange with one another. Favorite holiday books discussed. Refreshments provided.

Pueblo West

Pueblo West Book Club

Monday, Dec. 29, 7 p.m.

Book: Any book by Barbara Pym.

Pueblo West Mystery Book Club

Thursday, Dec. 18, 7 p.m.

Book: *Wailing Wind* by Tony Hillerman. The January book is *Faceoff* by David Baldacci.



Maker Club

Thursdays, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 5:15-6:45 p.m.

Explore this wonderful new technology! Learn to download, create and print your own 3D objects. Create toys, jewelry, and custom items from plastic using the 3D printer. This program lets you learn while doing!



Events and programs at the Hispanic Resource Center

Film

Blancanieves (Snow White) (2012) (PG)



Tuesday, Dec. 16, 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

A twist on the Snow White fairy tale that is set in 1920s Seville and centered on a female bullfighter.



Classes

To register, call Maria Smyer at 562-5615.

Spanish Classes

Starts Saturday, Jan. 3- March 21

Rawlings, Idea Factory-2nd floor

- **Advanced, 10:15 a.m.- noon**
- **Beginning, 12:15-2 p.m.**

Come to the library and learn Spanish! Free and open to the public.

English Classes

Want to learn English? English classes, clases de inglés, aulas de inglés, mga klase sa Ingles, lớp học tiếng Anh, English Classes! Classes are free.

Clases son gratis. Contact Maria for day/time.



Programs, crafts and games at the branches

Grieving Over The Holidays After The Death of a Loved One

Monday, Dec. 8 at 10 a.m., Lamb

The holidays are hard after the death of a loved one. Noelle Fiorenzi from the Sangre de Cristo Hospice and Palliative Care will share information on coping with loss and learning to celebrate again.



Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2 p.m., Pueblo West

This class will help those looking to downsize and distribute keepsakes and heirlooms among their family members. Learn ways to clearly communicate to the receiver the stories behind items and why the item is important.



Mah Jongg

Tuesdays, Dec. 2-30, 6:30 p.m., Pueblo West

Join in the fun with the Pueblo West Mah Jongg club and play the game. Beginner to advanced players welcome.

Origami Odyssey

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 7-8:30 p.m.

Rawlings, Idea Factory-2nd floor

All ages! Join other origami folders in making interesting and fun models. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact Susan Wolf at 553-0213.

Adult only crafts

Tribal artist Ina Bernard will lead two classes on crafts, just in time for the holidays!

Felted Cookie Cutter Ornaments

Thursday, Dec. 11, 6 p.m., Lamb

Make felted cookie cutter ornaments from loose wool. Supplies provided.

Acorn Ornaments

Thursday, Dec. 18,

6 p.m., Giodone



Make an acorn ornament to hang on your tree!

December 2014

- **Storytimes at all libraries will take a break this week**

23 Tuesday

- **Santa Clause (PG)**
10 a.m., and 3 p.m.,
Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

24 Wednesday

- **All library locations closed**

25 Thursday

- **All library locations closed**

26 Friday

- **Community Blood Drive**
11 a.m.-5 p.m., Pueblo West
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4 p.m., Rawlings
- **Rescuers (G)**
10 a.m., and 3 p.m.,
Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

27 Saturday

- **The Secret of NIMH (G)**
2 p.m., Rawlings,
InfoZone-4th floor

28 Sunday

- **All library locations closed**

29 Monday

- **Muppets Most Wanted (PG)**
10 a.m., and 3 p.m.,
Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor
- **Pueblo West Book Club**
7 p.m., Pueblo West

30 Tuesday

- **Charlotte's Web (animated) (G)**
10 a.m., and 3 p.m.,
Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

31 Wednesday

- **All library locations close at 6 p.m.**
- **Open Season 3 (PG)**
10 a.m., and 3 p.m.,
Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

Kids' Pages

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

Nutcracker in a Nutshell

Saturday, Dec. 13, 3 p.m., Pueblo West
Sunday, Dec. 14, 2 p.m. Rawlings

Come join us and be a part of Clara's adventure! Clara's parents, Herr and Frau Stahlbaum, throw a magnificent party for our homecoming heroes and then Clara's favorite hero comes home. Her Godfather, Herr Drosselmeyer, and her favorite soldier take her on a magical journey through an Epic Battle, a Winter Wonderland and the mesmerizing Land of the Sweets.



Nutcracker Stories and More!

Saturday, Dec. 6, 10 a.m., Barkman
Saturday, Dec. 6, 2 p.m. Greenhorn Valley
Saturday, Dec. 13, 11 a.m. Giodone
Saturday, Dec. 20, 2 p.m., Lamb

Enjoy the classic story and create your own Nutcracker.

Read, Dog, Read!



Fridays, Dec. 5 and 19, 2:30 p.m., Pueblo West
Friday, Dec. 12, 2:30 p.m., Rawlings

Want to practice your reading? One of our dogs wants to listen! Join us to read a story to a Canine Good Citizen certified dog.

Storytime Break

We will be taking a Storytime Break from Monday, Dec. 22-Jan. 3 and resume our regular Storytime Schedule on Monday, Jan. 5. Please visit our libraries anytime during the break to do a holiday or winter activity!



Holiday Crafts and Activities

Dec. 22-Jan. 2, Rawlings

Enjoy a variety of holiday and winter crafts and activities during the holiday break. Crafts will be available while supplies last.

Passport Kids

Friday, Dec. 12, 2 p.m., Greenhorn Valley

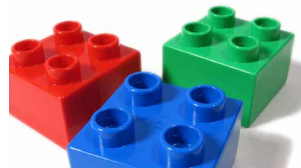
Come explore the world through multicultural stories, crafts and activities! Participants will experience a new country each month and will earn passport stamps as they travel the globe! **For ages 5 to 12.**



Lego Mania

Friday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m., Beulah Satellite
Friday, Dec. 19, 2 p.m., Greenhorn Valley

Build your own creations with Legos and Marble Runs. Open to kids of all ages. Lego Duplos will be provided for young builders.



Preschool Dance Party

Saturday, Dec. 20, 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings-Children's Storytime Room

Do you like to boogie? Can you shake your booty? Get movin' and groovin' with our jammin' librarians at our Preschool Dance Party!



BARKMAN

Tuesdays
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 2:30 p.m.
Thursdays
Time for Tots 10 a.m.
Signing Stories 10:30 a.m.

GIODONE

(Starts Thursday, Dec. 4)
Thursdays
Time for Tots 10 a.m.
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 10:30 a.m.

GREENHORN VALLEY

Tuesdays
Time for Tots 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 10:30 a.m.

LAMB

Wednesdays
Time for Tots 10:30 a.m.
Fridays
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 10:30 a.m.

LIBRARY @ THE Y

Tuesdays
Time for Tots 10 a.m.
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 11 a.m.

LUCERO (starts Tuesday, Dec. 16)

Tuesdays
Time for Tots 11 a.m.
Wednesdays
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 11 a.m.

PUEBLO WEST

Tuesdays
Time for Tots 10 and 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays
Baby Time 10 a.m.
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 10:30 a.m.

RAWLINGS

Mondays
Bilingual Storytime 10 a.m.
Wednesdays
Baby Time 10 a.m.
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 10:30 a.m.
Fridays
Time for Tots 10 a.m.
Preschool Storytime (ages 3 and up) 10:30 a.m.

Tween Scene . . . for ages 9 to 12



Giant Games

Wednesday, Dec. 3
4 p.m., Barkman
Friday, Dec. 5, 4 p.m., Giodone
Tuesday, Dec. 9
5 p.m., Greenhorn Valley
Friday, Dec. 12, 4 p.m., Lamb
Friday, Dec. 19, 4 p.m., Pueblo West
Friday, Dec. 26, 4 p.m., Rawlings

Come join us for giant board game fun! Enjoy oversized versions of Go Fish, Pacman and more! Bring some friends for a GIANT fantastic time!

Minecraft Lock-In Party

Friday Dec. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Barkman

Registration required. Attendance is limited to 27. Please note that a parent permission form **MUST** be submitted in order to attend this event. Permission slips are available at Barkman.

Minecraft is taking over the Library! Kids ages 9-13 can participate in this lock-in event featuring uninterrupted computer play for crafting, fort building, and more!



Teen Scene for ages 13 and up

Gingerbread Madness

Thursday, Dec. 4, 5 p.m., Giodone
Tuesday, Dec. 9, 6 p.m., Rawlings
Wednesday, Dec. 10, 5 p.m.
Greenhorn Valley
Thursday, Dec. 11, 4 p.m., Barkman
Tuesday, Dec. 16, 5 p.m., Lamb
Thursday, Dec. 18, 5 p.m., Pueblo West

Do you think you can build the best gingerbread house in Pueblo? Take the classic gingerbread house to the next level at this event! Make a gingerbread house and you could win candy. A winner from each branch will be entered to win a 3D printed trophy! **For ages 13-18.**



Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 5:30 p.m.
Greenhorn Valley
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings-Idea Factory, 2nd floor

The easy, fun way to get volunteer hours. Make films, test events, lead clubs and more!



Thursday, Dec. 11
6 p.m., Pueblo West

Join us for an hour of great anime!

Sweater Mittens Program

Friday, Dec. 19, 3 p.m., Giodone

Tweens, teens and adults can learn how to transform sweaters into mittens. Make regular or fingerless mittens for yourself, presents or donate them to families in need. The Library also is accepting donations of sweaters and will leave the materials out so you can make mittens at your own convenience through Friday, Jan. 2 while supplies last.



Christmas Ornaments

Friday, Dec. 12, 4 p.m. Giodone
Tuesday, Dec. 16, 3:30 p.m., Barkman. This branch is limited to 20. Registration required.

Tweens and teens, ages 9-15 come and make Christmas ornaments such as beaded candy canes then take them home to place on your Christmas tree.

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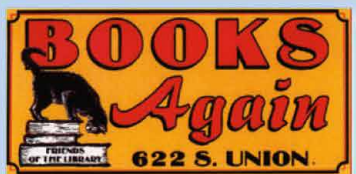


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Patrons view the history wall installed in the Giodone Library. Greenhorn Valley, Giodone and the soon-to-open Lucero Library each have a unique history wall that chronicles events throughout the history of each area.



Trustee talk

by Jim Stuart

What a wonderful time to be a member of the board of trustees of the Pueblo City-County Library District. We are experiencing the largest geographic expansion of services in the history of PCCLD and I am proud to be part of the decision makers that facilitated this growth. The ribbon cutting ceremonies and the grand opening celebrations in November at Greenhorn Valley and Giodone libraries were very well attended by crowds of excited and enthusiastic neighborhood patrons and we are looking forward to the same experience at the Lucero Library this month. Add all this to the record circulation and attendance figures in our history in 2014, and it makes for lots of laughs, smiles and patting on the backs at our board meetings and congratulations to Jon Walker and his terrific staff.

For me personally, I am most proud of and excited about the history walls in each of these new branch libraries. These walls tell the story of each of these neighborhoods dating back

to the first known inhabitants and settlers in each area and go up until around 1960. Nearly 50 pictures, donated by people living in these neighborhoods and from our archives, are combined with short informational captions and texts to tell the rich history of each of these areas. These are totally unique depictions of these histories and this information has never been available or presented to these areas before. Now they will be available to children and adults alike to learn about and be proud of their neighborhoods. Two years of dedicated work have gone into the compilation and design of these walls. I want to thank all the many patrons who took part in this process and particularly Amy Martin who oversaw the process so professionally, as well as Joanne Dodds, Jeffrey DeHerrera and Charlene Garcia-Simms who did such a wonderful job searching out and compiling the historic data.

If you have not already done so please get out there and visit one or all of these truly special places of education, information, fun, events, entertainment and meetings. They are staffed by the finest, most welcoming people you will find anywhere.



Friends of the Library president's corner

by Doreen Martinez

The Friends of the Library is honored to have contributed to the construction of the three new library branches and to have participated in both the ribbon cutting ceremonies and the grand openings of the Greenhorn Valley and the Tom L. & Anna Marie Giodone libraries. The communities have demonstrated such overwhelming enthusiasm and support as we enter this new era for YOUR Pueblo City-County Library District! The Patrick A. Lucero Library ribbon cutting ceremony will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 10 a.m. and the grand opening will be Saturday, Dec. 13 at noon. Please come out and show your support as a Friend of the Library!

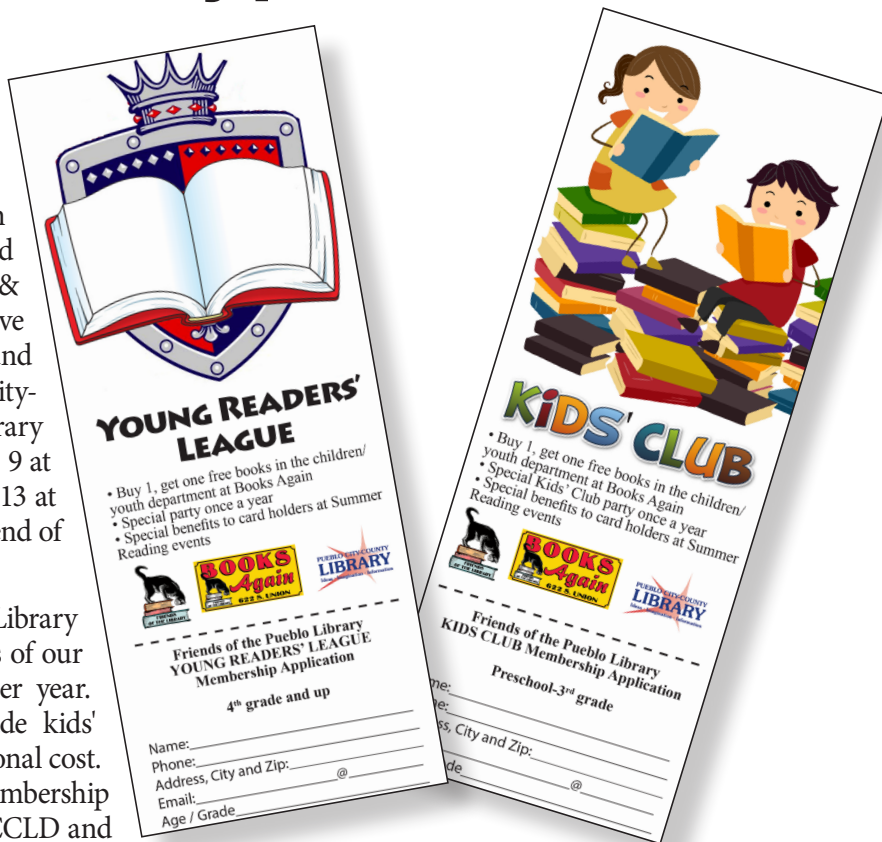
The membership committee of Friends of the Library has added a new level of membership just for the kids of our community. Kids' memberships are \$5 per child, per year. New and renewing family memberships will include kids' memberships for each child in the family for no additional cost. The benefits of the membership are outlined on the membership form. This is just one more avenue to support both PCCLD and Friends of the Library. Don't forget to gift a friend or family with a FOL membership this holiday season. It is the perfect gift for the book lover on your holiday gift list.

Friends of the Library will hold the awards ceremony for the Creative Writing Contest on Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. at Rawlings Library, Ryals Room-4th floor. Feel free to come and support all of the contestants on what promises to be a memorable evening.

Books Again will hold the annual "Half Off Sale" Dec. 4-6. Every item in the store is HALF OFF of our already deeply

discounted prices. Again, this is a great sale to shop for the holidays. Thursday Dec. 4 is our "Members Only" day. If you are not already a member, please come in that day for the best selection and join!

Happy holidays!



The Friends of the Library membership committee now offers kids' memberships. Cost to join is \$5. Those in the Kids' Club and Young Readers League earn perks such as Buy 1, Get 1 free books in the children/youth department, a special party once a year and Summer Reading benefits.



Winners of the Scary Story contest sponsored by the Friends of the Library in October. Each winner received an award certificate and hedgehog finger puppet. The awards ceremony for Creative Writing will be held this month.



The Friends of the Library membership booth was set up at the ribbon cuttings and grand opening celebrations of the Greenhorn Valley and Giodone libraries. Look for their table at the Lucero Library this month.

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Ask about our new kids' membership!



AIDS Quilt Exhibit and World AIDS Day

On display Nov. 24-Jan. 2

Reception, film and vigil, Monday, Dec. 1, 6 p.m.

Rawlings, InfoZone-4th floor

The Pueblo AIDS Memorial Quilt will be on display in the Rawlings InfoZone for the month of December. Please join us for the community recognition of World AIDS Day.

A film will be shown and vigil will follow. Refreshments will be provided.

The activities are co-sponsored by Pueblo City-County Library District and Southern Colorado Equality Alliance with the help of the Southern Colorado AIDS Project, PFLAG and Pueblo Community Health Center.



A quilt from the exhibit on display in 2013.