

# News & Events

Of the Pueblo City-County Library District

APRIL 2007

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## Hours & Locations

Monday - Thursday  
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Friday & Saturday  
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday (Rawlings Library Only)  
1 - 5 p.m.

Internet: [www.pueblolibrary.org](http://www.pueblolibrary.org)

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562-5600

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

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1300 Jerry Murphy Road

Lamb Branch - 562-5670  
2525 South Pueblo Boulevard

White Branch (Pueblo West)  
562-5660

298 South Joe Martinez Blvd.

Satellite Libraries:

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213 Hwy. 50 East

Beulah School - 485-3127  
8734 Schoolhouse Lane

Craver Middle School - 676-3850  
4850 Crow Cut Off

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2500 W. 18th Street

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## Jon Walker, Executive Director

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## Display du jour

Come and check out the Pueblo City-County Library District's newest gallery - the Teen Art Wall. It's part of the newly created Teen Central on the second floor of the Rawlings Public Library. The exhibits feature art from local schools and this month's display features the artistic vision of students from the Pueblo School for the Arts and Sciences under the direction of art teacher Cynthia Ramu.

"Students of PSAS have contributed clay Egyptian canopic jars, backlight aboriginal designs as well as a nice mix of other artistic styles," said Michael Cox, the library district's teen librarian.

The exhibits are rotating, so if you're interested in having your students' artwork displayed at the library, contact Michael Cox at (719) 553-0207 or email [mcox@pueblolibrary.org](mailto:mcox@pueblolibrary.org).



Watercolor by PSAS 7th grader Serenity Bouchard.



Photograph by PSAS 7th grader Aaron Silbaugh.

## Friends of the Library present: Writer's Block Can Be Murder

**Saturday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**

Don't miss what's sure to be a great evening of friends, food and mystery! The Friends of the Library invite you to experience a one-of-a-kind event for book lovers. This year's annual meeting will feature the Impossible Players in *Writer's Block Can Be Murder*. Help solve the library-themed mystery while eating dinner with friends and supporting a wonderful organization that gives so much back to the community through their support of the library.

Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased at Books Again, 622 S. Union, or at the community relations office located at Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave. For more information, please call (719) 543-4688 or (719) 562-5605.

## Events Calendar April 2007



## Libraries in the County by Jon Walker

### 1 Sunday

- **Rawlings Library is Open**  
1 - 5 p.m.

### 2 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Literary Discussion Group**  
*Grapes of Wrath*  
Barkman 7 p.m.

### 3 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.

### 4 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Literary Discussion**  
*The Meaning of Everything*  
by Simon Winchester  
Rawlings 1:30 p.m.
- **Silver Screams**  
*Bedlam*  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 5 Thursday

- **Corner Cafe**  
**Ribbon Cutting**  
Rawlings 10:00 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Pajama Mother Goose**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Teen Stories**  
*House of Scorpion* by  
Nancy Farmer  
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

### 6 Friday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

### 7 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**  
*Shaggy Dog* (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 8 Sunday

- **Rawlings Library is closed for Easter Sunday.**

### 9 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

It is a very exciting (and busy) time for public libraries in Pueblo County. Not only are we setting new records for library use, we are working aggressively to meet future community needs for library service. This means that as our population grows in areas outside the City of Pueblo and in surrounding areas of the county, we will be expanding and adding library services in outlying areas of the county.

Last month, the Library District Board of Trustees approved moving forward to significantly expand and renovate the library in Pueblo West and to build two new public libraries, one on the St. Charles Mesa and another in the Greenhorn Valley.

The first project is the library expansion in Pueblo West. This new facility will be large enough at about 28,000 square feet in size to accommodate the rapidly growing population in Pueblo West now and for several years to come. This library will cost about \$6 million for construction, furniture and equipment. In addition, there will be increased annual operating costs for more books and other library materials and additional employees to provide service. The expanded Pueblo West library will be more than five times larger than today's library there and will feature the latest in library services including lots of space for public-use computers, books and other library materials targeted for families, children and teens. We will break ground on construction later this summer and open the new facility around mid-year 2008.

Step two is to build a new full-service branch library on the St. Charles Mesa. We anticipate this library will be about 3,000 square feet in size and cost about \$750,000 to construct. Construction on the Mesa library will start in 2009, and the library should open there in 2010.

The third project is in the Greenhorn Valley—the Colorado City and Rye area. We hope to open this library in 2012. Both libraries—on the Mesa and in the Greenhorn Valley—will be about 3,000 square feet in size, and each will feature convenient hours of service and other amenities found in a full-service library, such as public-use computers, meeting rooms and, of course, plenty of books and other library materials.

In addition to these new library outlets, the Pueblo City-County Library District is committed to operating a small public library on the proposed new YMCA campus in the west part of the City of Pueblo that is scheduled to open in 2009.

Studies show that a community's quality of life is measured in part by the level of public library service available to citizens. As Pueblo County grows, we aim to meet our increasing library needs and help insure the values of reading, literacy and free and open access to information.

*Jon Walker, Executive Director of the Pueblo City-County Library District, may be reached by calling (719) 562-5633.*

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Contest

Poets, grades three to adult, are invited to write a poem about any topic, in any style. Winners will be chosen from various age groups. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Prizes will be awarded

**The deadline for entries is Friday, April 13, 2007.**

Entries may be brought to the Rawlings Public Library, Barkman, Lamb or White Branches or mailed to:

**Pueblo City-County Library District  
Attn: Community Relations Dept.  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
Pueblo, CO 81004**

**Entries may also be e-mailed to [contests@pueblolibrary.org](mailto:contests@pueblolibrary.org)**

Winners will be invited to read their poems at a reception on Thursday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. Prizes courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Entry forms are available at all library locations.



# Oustanding Women receive outstanding response from community

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Mr. Donegan (who accepted the award for his mother) and Sandy Stein.

Pueblo organizations showed up in record numbers to pay tribute to amazing women at the 18th Annual Outstanding Women's Awards in March. This year's honorees included Suzanne Anton, Margaret Benz, Angela DeSalvo Biondi, Dr. Dora Luz Cobain, Mary Copeland, Esther Zinno Donegan, Katherine Fraizer, Christine Grebenc, Juanita Lanoue Heyn, Jane Milne, Naoma O'Neill, Cheryl Scott, Shirley Skirvin, Virginia J. Tincher, Fran Weaver, Shirley Weston, Martha Whitlock, and Bernice Zamora.



Midori Clark, Sophie Markuson and Pueblo Girl Essay Contest judge, Dawn DiPrince.



This year's award recipients, who were all honored by their community organizations in March.



Nearly 150 people attend the Outstanding Women's Awards Luncheon at the Rawlings Library in March.

## 10 Tuesday

- **Internet Basics**  
White 8 a.m.
- **Time for Tots**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Literary Discussion**  
White 7 p.m.
- **Teen Scene**  
Rawlings 7 p.m.

## 11 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

## 12 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Pajama Mother Goose**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Teen Stories**  
*The House of Scorpion* by Nancy Farmer  
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

## 13 Friday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Labor Festival Film**  
*El Norte*  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

## 14 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**  
*Charlotte's Web* (G)  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor
- **Labor Festival Film**  
*Good Morning Babylon*  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

## 15 Sunday

- **Rawlings Library is Open**  
1 - 5 p.m.
- **Labor Festival Film**  
*Avalon*  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

## 16 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Literary Discussion Group Film**  
*Grapes of Wrath*  
Barkman 6 p.m.

## 17 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene**  
Barkman 3:30 p.m.



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## Library book-discussion groups

### 18 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Colonizing California**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor
- **Teen Scene**  
White 7 p.m.

### 19 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Pajama Mother Goose**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Teen Stories**  
*House of Scorpion* by Nancy Farmer  
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

### 20 Friday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

### 21 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**  
*Happy Feet (G)*  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor
- **Independent Film**  
*Familia*  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 22 Sunday

- **Rawlings Library is Open**  
1 - 5 p.m.

### 23 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

### 24 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.

### 25 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

### 26 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Pajama Mother Goose**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Teen Stories**  
*House of Scorpion* by Nancy Farmer  
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

**Barkman Literary Discussion**  
*Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck  
Monday, April 2 at 7 p.m.  
Movie - April 16 - 6 p.m.  
Barkman Branch Library  
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Please call Renee at (719) 296-8018 or Carol at (719) 562-5680 for more information.

**White Discussion Group**  
Monday, April 10 at 7 p.m.  
White Branch Library  
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.  
Pueblo West

Please call Teresa at (719) 562-5662 for the book title and more information.

**Rawlings Discussion Group**  
*The Meaning of Everything*  
by Simon Winchester  
Wednesday, April 4 at 1:30 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
Thurston Room - 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Please call Rich at (719) 553-0211 for more information.



## Call to Teachers: Most Improved Reader Awards

The Pueblo City-County Library District is again awarding certificates of merit to children whose reading skills are the most improved.

This award is not for the best reader, but for the children who have improved their reading skills greatly through their own effort.

Please select the child from your

classroom who you feel should receive this recognition. If you feel that two children deserve awards, just enter both names on the entry form. Forms are available at all library locations. Please return the completed form to:

Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004

**Deadline is Friday, May 4.**

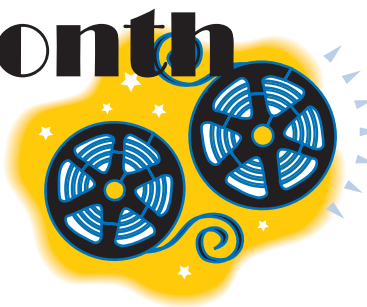


Solar education module on display at Rawlings Public Library courtesy of Smart Growth Advocates of Pueblo.



# Playing this month @ your library

## Silver Screams movie night



**Wednesday, April 4 at 7 p.m.**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**InfoZone Theater - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**

Silver Screams is a cinema group that meets the first Wednesday of every month at the Rawlings Library. Silver Screams is devoted to the viewing and discussion of older horror, monster, science fiction, and fantasy films.

Silver Screams' next presentation will be the Val Lewton classic, *Bedlam* on April 4 at 7 p.m. in the InfoZone Theatre on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Library.

A discussion of this film will follow its viewing. The film and its discussion are free and open to the public. For additional information please call Geof at (719) 562-5601.

## Saturday matinee movies at the InfoZone

Come and enjoy a Disney Classic, a popular new release, or a favorite animated film. The InfoZone, on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library offers movies everyone can love! Catch one every Saturday. Regular screenings are at 2 p.m. with the exception of the movie on April 14, which will be shown at 10 a.m.

**Shaggy Dog** (Rated PG)  
Saturday, April 7

**Charlotte's Web** (Rated G)  
Saturday, April 14 @ 10 a.m.

**Happy Feet** (Rated G)  
Saturday, April 21

**Flushed Away** (Rated PG)  
Saturday, April 28

## Independent film series @ the InfoZone

### *Familia*

Directed by Louise Archambault  
Drama, Canada, English Subtitles  
April 21 at 7 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
InfoZone Theater - 4<sup>th</sup> floor  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.



Michele is a thirty-something, divorced aerobics instructor with a gambling addiction. Her life is turned upside down when her boss/fiance, unwilling to cover her gambling debts any longer, decides to hold back her paychecks.

Michele seeks refuge with a childhood friend, Janine, who lives in a seemingly comfortable middle-class suburban neighborhood.

The two women start to rekindle their long lost friendship, and their daughters,

Michele's rebellious teenager, Marguerite, and Janine's shy and reserved, Gabrielle - become fast friends. But unforeseen tensions arise that force both generations to reassess their values.

The Film Movement screenings are not rated and ordinarily portray adult situations and are not recommended for those younger than 17 without parental permission.

For information, call (719) 562-5604 or join our e-mail newsgroup at [infozone@publolib.org](mailto:infozone@publolib.org).

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### 27 Friday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

### 28 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**  
**Flushed Away** (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor
- **Kids Corner**  
White 2 p.m.
- **Friends of the Library Annual Meeting: Writer's Block can be Murder**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 29 Sunday

- **Rawlings Library is Open**  
1 - 5 p.m.

### 30 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Story Time**  
Rawlings 11 a.m.
- **Spanish Movie**  
**The Lion King** (G)  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

The  
Rawlings  
Library  
is closed  
Sunday,  
April 8  
for Easter  
Sunday.





# Internet Basics class

Tuesday, April 10  
8 a.m. - 9 a.m.  
White Branch Library  
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

Get connected and join the Internet revolution during this free class taught by talented White Branch Library staff. This class covers how to navigate the world wide web, how to search for information, and how to evaluate web sites. This class is free and open to the public, but space is limited. Experience using the mouse is required. Call (719) 562-5660 to register or for more information.



# Celebrate the opening of the Corner Café

Ribbon Cutting - Corner Café  
Thursday, April 5 at 10:00 a.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Please join the Pueblo City-County Library District in welcoming new proprietor of the Corner Café, local businessman Paul Jones.

The café opened in March, but Jones hopes customers will come to help him celebrate this latest venture at the business' official ribbon cutting.

It's sure to be a festive occasion thanks to the friendly atmosphere of the café, which has been adorned with decorative tablecloths and centerpieces with spring-time flair.

Peter McLean and Mary Louise Tate are the barristas. As Paul so cleverly points out, "We have Peter, Paul and Mary operating the café!"



Customers pick out cold drinks at the Corner Café.

Hours:  
9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday  
9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday & Saturday  
1 p.m.-5 p.m. Sunday

Their specialties include:  
Amante Italian Roast Coffee  
Fresh made subs and sandwiches  
Pizza (personal size)  
Decadent cinnamon rolls  
Burritos  
Cheesecake  
Lattes, frappes and Mochas

They are also doing catered lunches and coffee for library meetings.



Fresh-baked cookies are just one of many delicious products at the Corner Café.



Well-known local buisnessman Paul Jones at his new Corner Café at the Rawlings Llibrary.



# 2007 Ludlow Memorial Labor Festival

The InfoZone News Museum and the Pueblo City-County Library District are pleased to partner with Colorado State University-Pueblo for the 2007 Ludlow Memorial Labor Festival. This year's festival highlights the American worker, with a focus on immigration (intra and international), and people who move to (or within) the United States in order to get a better job or better working conditions.

The InfoZone will host special movie screenings April 13-15 in its theatre located on the 4th floor of Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave. Each film focuses on a different aspect of Immigration and the American Dream. CSU-Pueblo instructor Scott Whited will lead a discussion following each screening. The movies are free and seating for our 100-seat theatre is on a first-come, first-served basis.

## *El Norte*

**Friday, April 13 ~ 7 p.m.**

This critically acclaimed film follows two Mayan Indian siblings who flee war-torn Guatemala in the early 1980s to escape ethnic and political persecution.

They make their way to Los Angeles "El Norte" ("the North") where they try to make a new life as young, uneducated and illegal immigrants. Film Critic Roger Ebert calls *El Norte* "the *Grapes of Wrath* of our times."

## *Good Morning Babylon*

**Saturday, April 14 ~ 2 p.m.**

From the Italian filmmakers, Paolo and Vittorio Taviani, comes the story of two brothers who come to America as immigrant stonemasons. The Italian artisans find work in Hollywood during the silent film era, but tragedy strikes with the arrival of World War I, which finds the brothers fighting on opposite sides.

## *Avalon*

**Sunday, April 15 ~ 2 p.m.**

This nostalgic film follows three generations of a Russian Jewish family that comes to the United States at the beginning of 20<sup>th</sup> century. The multigenerational family faces a culture clash amidst its own personal struggles and triumphs. *Avalon* was nominated for four Oscars.

## **Colonizing California: The significance of the Spanish missions program**

Colorado State University-Pueblo students will share their research on California missions from 6:30-9 p.m. on Wed., April 18 at the InfoZone News Museum at Rawlings Library.

Last summer, Mujeres Unidas, an academic student organization led by associate professor Dr. Dora Luz Cobián, conducted an expedition to Southern California to research six of the 21 Catholic Missions established by the Spanish Franciscan priests during the late 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> centuries.

Discover what the student researchers learned as they present their findings on the history and use of the missions, Father Junipero Serra - founder of the missions, provides details on culture and architecture as well the impact the missions have had on the Southwest in general. A visual presentation of photographs taken during the visit also will be included.

The students will be raising funds for their next research project on the Aztec pyramids of Mexico City and Tlaxcala with a Silent Auction.



Youth Services Supervising Librarian Jane Palmer is interviewed by Lee Roberts on his radio show, *Tour of Pueblo*, in March.



# Kids' Pages

## Draw Your Own Dr. Seuss Character Contest Winners

Congratulations to all the winners of this year's Dr. Seuss Character Contest. They received honors and gift certificates to Books Again, courtesy of the Friends of the Library, at a reception in March. Their creative characters will be on display at the Rawlings Library through April 28.

### Kindergarten

- 1st Jayda Martinez
- 2nd Marie Moore
- 3rd Alexia Salazar

### 1st Grade

- 1st Negar Ahmadian
- 2nd David Baca
- 3rd Breanna Strong

### 2nd Grade

- 1st Maxeen Bobian
- 2nd Sierra Williams
- 3rd Angelo Escareno

### 3rd Grade

- 1st Julio Gonzalez
- 2nd Ricardo Sanchez
- 3rd Jacob Haynes

### 4th Grade

- 1st Michaela Del Priore
- 2nd Rebekah Hernandez
- 3rd Audrey Youngren

### 5th Grade

- 1st Darylann Aragon
- 2nd Jacob Rivera
- 3rd Julian Gutierrez

### Middle School

- 1st Dean Martinez
- 2nd Jordan Baxter
- 3rd David Carleo

### High School

- 1st J.T. Greenhood
- 2nd Johanna Wyatt
- 3rd Valen Gallegos



The 2007 winners of the Draw Your Own Dr. Seuss Character Contest at their awards ceremony.

## Celebrate El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day)

The Pueblo City-County Library District and InfoZone News Museum are taking part in a new community-reading project, Dia de los Ninos. Activities will be held throughout the weekend of April 27-30 at various locations.

This project spreads "bookjoy" by linking children of all languages and cultures with books.

### Bilingual Story Time

Monday, April 30 ~ 11 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.  
Rawlings Public Library – Thurston Room  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Interactive stories and songs will be presented in both English and Spanish during this 20-minute program.

### Lion King (Spanish language version)

Monday, April 30 ~ 6:30 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library – InfoZone Theatre, 4<sup>th</sup> floor  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Bring the entire family and enjoy this Disney classic presented in Spanish with English subtitles.

Be sure to check with our community partners El Pueblo History Museum, Avondale Elementary School and Cesar Chavez Charter School for more fun Dia de los Ninos events.

## Earth Day Kids Korner

Saturday, April 28  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

White Branch Library  
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.  
Pueblo West

Celebrate Earth Day at the library. Learn how to pot plants, make bird feeders, and create games and crafts from recycled objects. The program is free and open to kids in grades K-3. For more information, call (719) 562-5660.



# Teen Scene



Wilbur the potbelly pig and his owner visit the library to pig out on books in March!



## Make a punk T-shirt

**Tuesday, April 10 ~ 7 to 8 p.m.**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**  
**Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor**

Bring some old t-shirts and transform them into Punk T-shirts. This free event is open to teens in grades 6-12. Call Mr. Mike at (719) 562-5603 for more information.



## Celebrate Earth Day

**Tuesday, April 17 ~ 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**  
**Barkman Branch Library**  
**1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.**

Come and celebrate Earth Day with your fabulous friends at the Barkman Branch Library. Making a trash collage and dirt pudding will be part of the day's festivities. This event is free and open to teens. Call (719) 562-5680 for more information.

## Recycle and make a disco ball

**Wednesday, April 18 ~ 7 to 8 p.m.**  
**White Branch Library**  
**298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.**  
**Pueblo West**

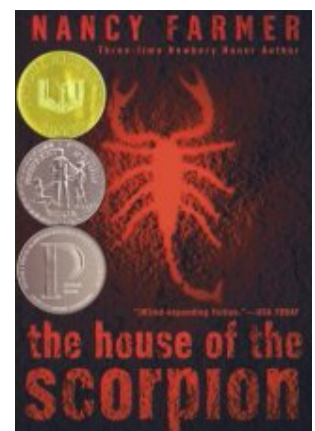
In honor of Earth day, we will use recycled materials to make a disco ball for your room. This program is free and open to teens in grades 6-12. Please call (719) 562-5660 for more information.

## Teen stories at Barkman Library

**Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19, & 26 ~ 7:30 p.m.**  
**Barkman Branch Library**  
**1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.**  
***The House of the Scorpion***  
**by Nancy Farmer**

Matteo Alacrán was not born; he was harvested. His DNA came from El Patrón, lord of a country called Opium -- a strip of poppy fields lying between the United States and what was once called Mexico. Matt's first cell split and divided inside a petri dish. Then he was placed in the womb of a cow, where he continued the miraculous journey from embryo to fetus to baby. He is a boy now, but most consider him a monster -- except for El Patrón. El Patrón loves Matt as he loves himself, because Matt is himself.

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**A new twist on an old tradition**

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**Did you know?**

A grenade fell onto a kitchen floor in France and resulted in Linoleum Blownapart.

**Pueblo students prove they have the write stuff!**

The Friends of the Library launched the new Youth Writing Contest at the end of 2006 with great results. Students in grades 3-12 were asked to write a story with a mystery theme. The opening paragraph of the story had to contain the exact phrase, "Suddenly, everything became very quiet." The stories also had to incorporate the words postcard, dilemma, internet, visible, gateway and guide. A total of 143 entries were received. The winners each received a certificate of achievement and a gift certificate to Books Again used bookstore.

**First-Place Winners:**

Tara Croley	<i>Revenge</i>	El Pueblo Education Center
Colby Howell	<i>Hide-and-Go-Seek</i>	Connect Charter School
Levi Rapp	<i>BlackBerries are Not Always For Eating</i>	Heaton Middle School
Emily Farley	<i>Missing Homework</i>	St. Therese Catholic School
Madison Brandt	<i>The Mystery Hog Napping of Punxsutawney Phil</i>	Morton Elementary School
Briley Manzanares	<i>What the Dance Was Missing</i>	Sunset Park Elementary School
Lindsey Sheppard	<i>The Mystery of the Pampered Cat</i>	Trinity Lutheran School
Kara Nab	<i>A Woman's Secrets Never End</i>	El Pueblo Education Center

**Second-Place Winners:**

Jerrika Bailey	<i>A Lost Love</i>	Connect Charter School
Desiree Beth Huffman	<i>The Whisper</i>	El Pueblo Education Center
Jessica Atilano	<i>The Missing Ring!</i>	Desert Sage Elementary School
Mikah Pacheco	<i>The Dissappearance of Rufus</i>	St. John Neumann Catholic School
Sam Gist	<i>The Squirrel in the Attic</i>	Trinity Lutheran School
Haley Lang	<i>The Empty Cracker Box</i>	Desert Sage Elementary School
Melissa Waggener	<i>The Twelfth Key</i>	Belmont Elementary School

**Third-Place Winners:**

Abbey Cira	<i>The Mystery of the Old Brick House</i>	St. John Neumann Catholic School
Dylan Robles	<i>The Curse of King Tut</i>	Sunset Park Elementary School
Gianna Carleo	<i>How Love Can Flood Someone's Heart</i>	Trinity Lutheran School
Nick Johnston	<i>What Could Happen If...</i>	Belmont Elementary School
Leah Collier	<i>Mystery in London</i>	Connect Charter School
Amanda Lynch	<i>Finding Peter</i>	Connect Charter School



## **Friends of the Library President's Corner by Jeanne Gardner**

April brings my tenure as the President of the Friends of the Library (FOL) Board to a close. It has been a pleasure to support the Pueblo City-County Library District (PCCLD) and its enthusiastic and energetic employees as the FOL President this past year and as a FOL Board member for six years.

It was another interesting and busy year for the FOL. I would like to reflect briefly on the successes of the Board.

The FOL proudly introduced a new program for Pueblo's young writers, the Youth Writing Contest. A big thank you goes to Ms. Sandra Cunningham and the Board members who put forth the effort required to bring this project to fruition. The idea was a major success as was demonstrated by the number of stories received.

A committee chaired by Ms. Edna Shoaf oversaw the issuance of the first scholarship in support of masters-level education to a PCCLD employee. Thank you to the scholarship committee and Ms. Sara Erickson, the district's human resources manager, for making this scholarship a reality. Ms. Elizabeth Flores was the first scholarship recipient. May this opportunity afford her educational growth, and open doors to a satisfying career.

This year the Books Again endeavor continued to provide profits which were used to support FOL projects and special PCCLD requests. Thank you to

our loyal, continuing customers and new customers who have made Books Again a success. A special acknowledgement goes to the loyal, devoted, and hard working volunteers at Books Again. A special thank you is due to Ms. Melanie Tappen who stepped into the role of book store manager in the fall. Her strong organizational skills and innovative ideas have added a new dimension to the store.

The FOL Board members are to be thanked for the efforts they expended in support of the FOL this past year in the way of time, ideas, and support for the many activities. Mr. James Stuart and Ms. Margaret Benz, as vice president and secretary respectively, were instrumental in providing guidance. Mr. John Tappen was the invaluable captain of our financial ship.

The year would have been fragmented and disjointed if it had not been for the direction and support of Ms. Tabitha Davis. Her knowledge of the FOL Board operations and PCCLD activities is invaluable to the sitting president.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the library district's leadership and council provided to me by Mr. Jon Walker, executive director and Ms. Midori Clark, community relations manager.

I will say farewell and best wishes for the continued success of the Friends of the Library and the Pueblo City County Library District.

## **Whither away now, John? by Edna Shoaf**

How, you may ask, did a nice boy from New Jersey find his way to the wilds of Colorado? What a coincidence that you should inquire at this time because I just happen to have the answer to that interesting question!

John Tappen graduated Wesleyan College in Middletown, Connecticut, with a major in mathematics. He joined the Air Force and subsequently became a Captain in the field of meteorology. He retired from the reserves in 1993.

John did his mission for his church in Alaska and British Columbia, and then took a job in Arizona as data processing director at Arizona Western College in Yuma. He also met and married his wife, Melanie (to whom you have previously been introduced), in Arizona. He stayed at the college in Yuma for five years and then answered an ad for test design and computer analyst at the test track east of Pueblo. So, that answers the above question! See how neatly things come together?

John left the test track in 1981 to try his hand at Ford Aero-Space before going to Colorado State University-Pueblo as a professor of computer science. He retired from the university in 1999, and he has devoted his time to his church, where he holds the position of Bishop, and other community interests, such as the Friends of the Library Board.

John has been treasurer of the Board for the past two years, but he has decided that he must leave this position for other demands upon his time right now. He really enjoys the outdoors - hiking, gardening, and traveling. (John admitted with a rather sheepish grin that he really isn't much of a gardener but he does enjoy trying.) He and Melanie have been to China, Tibet, the Caribbean, East Germany, and down the Elbe River on a cruise. They are planning a journey to Russia in July to pick up their son who is on a mission in St. Petersburg.

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John is rightly proud of his two sons and two daughters. The eldest son teaches computer vision at the University of Central Florida in Orlando after receiving one of two appointments available in the United States in this subject. The other son is the one in Russia. One daughter in Utah has a Masters in public health, and the other in Arizona has her Masters in statistics.

Since Melanie is the new manager of Books Again, John has found himself putting in lots of time there along with her. He says he does read a great deal but not much fiction. He enjoys a bit of science fiction, but prefers history and politics. We had quite a discussion about the historical beginnings of organized religion. (Yes, John, I did look up Jeremiah 1:8.)

It has been our privilege, John, to have you on the Board, and we will miss your presentation each month. I am sure that we will see lots of you over at Books Again and around town as you go about your many interesting activities. If YOU happen to encounter John and you have a few minutes, ask him about Constantine. Be prepared for an entertaining and enlightening discussion! Sayonara, good friend!