

News & Events

AUGUST 2006

PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

Coming soon: New teen area @ the library

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

Robert Hoag Rawlings
Public Library
562-5600

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Barkman Branch - 562-5680
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:

Avondale Elementary - 947-3047
213 Hwy. 50 East

Beulah School - 485-3127
8734 Schoolhouse Lane

Craver Middle School - 676-3850
4850 Crow Cut Off

Cesar Chavez Academy Satellite
586-9199
2500 W. 18th Street

North Mesa Elementary
948-2551
28881 Gale Road

Risley Middle School - 549-7449
625 N. Monument Avenue

Rye Elementary - 489-2275
8120 Highway 165 W

South Mesa Elementary
543-0738
23701 E. Preston Road

Vineland Elementary - 948-2633
35777 Iris Road

If special assistance is
needed, please call 562-5600.

Jon Walker, Executive Director

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is provided by the
Friends of the Library.

The Colorado State Library, through the Colorado Department of Education, has awarded the Pueblo City-County Library District nearly \$21,000 for a Teen Center at the Rawlings Library.

The proposal, "Room to Grow: Building an Environment That Encourages Teen Learning," includes adding eight computers that support video/audio editing, online research and word processing. Two teens will also be hired to work part-time monitoring and improving the Teen Center.

The Teen Center will provide multiple environments, supporting individual and group studying. From elevated stools along the cafe-style counter to floor-level reading chairs, the Teen Center will have multiple levels of seating. This creates an inviting and sleek feel, providing a comfortable environment where at least 35 teens can be seated. Tech-savvy teens are sure to appreciate the computers that will include video/audio editing equipment as well as hours of open source music that may be burned to CD free of charge.

The goal of the Teen Center is to provide resources and programs encouraging teens to value education. Pueblo City-County Library District believes readers are leaders, and this new Teen Center will begin to provide the support our students need to succeed.



Showing off spin art created at a recent event.



Pueblo City-County Library District's Teen Advisory Board.

Events Calendar August 2006

1 Tuesday

- Storytellers on vacation until September 5.
- Rawlings Book Discussion
Christ the Lord
by Anne Rice
Rawlings 7 p.m.

2 Wednesday

- Silver Screams
I Walked With A Zombie
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

3 Thursday

- Storytellers on vacation until September 5.
- Teen Stories
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

4 Friday

- Smokey's Birthday Party
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

5 Saturday

- Matinee Movie
Black Stallion (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

6 Sunday

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

7 Monday

- 9th Grade Honors Reading Club
Alice in Wonderland
Rawlings 2 - 3:30 p.m.
- Literary Discussion Group
The Time Traveler's Wife
by Audrey Niffenegger
Barkman 7 p.m.

8 Tuesday

- Books in the Park
Bilingual Story Time
Holly Jo & Jaime & Gabriel Duenez
Bessemer Park
11 a.m.

9 Wednesday

- Storytellers on vacation until September 5.
- Teen Girls' Summer Read-In
Lamb 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

10 Thursday

- Celebrity Story Time
Judge William Alexander & Frances Alexander,
Pueblo City-County Library District Trustee
Mitchell Park
11 a.m.
- Teen Stories
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

11 Friday

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Pueblo West Library Expansion by Jon Walker

I am so proud that the Friends of the Library have stepped forward to become a founding donor for the recently-announced campaign to expand the Pueblo West library.

Their recent decision to contribute \$10,000 toward the \$2 million fundraising goal to expand the library is a testament to their dedication to help provide the best possible library services to the residents of Pueblo County. The Friends are one of several donors who have committed to making the new library a reality.

The architectural firm of Denver-based Humphries-Poli is now on board working on the expansion project. They have provided initial schematic drawings and models for the new library.

The plans are for a building of 22,014 square feet in size. The new library will incorporate the existing building of 4,920 square feet, and will feature two sizable public-use conference rooms and a courtyard, a large children's learning center and storytime room, space for teens, more than fifty Internet computers, several study nooks and study rooms, a comfy reading room, an art gallery, a business center, and a reading garden. Of course, the new

library will include significantly enlarged space for more books, newspapers, and magazines.

Another positive development is the Pueblo West Metro District now is finalizing plans to provide the library with additional land to accommodate the bigger building.

Finally, we are happy to announce that the Pueblo West library expansion project was recently approved as an Enterprise Zone Project by the Colorado Economic Development Commission. Qualifying donations to the expansion project of \$250 or more may be eligible for a state tax credit of 25% of the donation up to \$100,000, depending upon each donor's tax situation. By way of example, this special tax credit along with standard federal and state deductions means that a donation of \$250 can have a net cost to the donor of as little as \$93. This is a lot of bang for the buck.

The Pueblo West library expansion is moving forward, and we remain on target to break ground in 2007 and open the enlarged facility in 2008. If you are interested in more information on this exciting project, I encourage you to contact Midori Clark at 562-5605.



The proposed design of the new 22,000 square foot library in Pueblo West.



Pueblo West History Association members sign a proposal and present it to library staff at a recent meeting at the White Branch Library in Pueblo West.



Representatives from Pueblo West Wal-Mart present a \$1,000 check at a recent fundraising breakfast at Pueblo West High School.

Book deals at Pueblo West library fundraiser: All paperbacks two for a dollar

Browse through thousands of new books and other items that can be yours for the low price of two for a dollar. With these prices, you can afford to stock up for the school year and Christmas!

Books aren't the only things for sale. Book Buddies will also be available. Children can create these adorable, custom-created stuffed animals by personally stuffing them and picking out their clothes.

The sale is a fundraiser for the Pueblo City-County Library District's White Branch Library Expansion.

Shop on the following dates:

Thursday, August 17 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday, August 18 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, August 19 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Sunday, August 20 - 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
 Monday, August 21 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Tuesday, August 22 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Wednesday, August 23 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Thursday, August 24 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Friday, August 25 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Saturday, August 26 - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Sunday, August 27 - 1 - 5 p.m.

All sales are at the Rawlings Library.



Library scenes



"Turtle Talk" presented by Karen Rhea at a recent Summer Reading Club event.



Speedy the turtle.



Colorado Division of Wildlife's Darryl Crawford talks about living in harmony with wildlife during the library's Wild Weekend.



White Library Fundraising Kickoff Event

August 2006

12 Saturday

- Matinee Movie **Disney Double Feature Dumbo (G)** Rawlings 11 a.m.
- **Bambi (G)** Rawlings 2 p.m.
- InfoZone - 4th Floor

13 Sunday

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

14 Monday

- 9th Grade Honors Reading Club **Alice in Wonderland** Rawlings 2 - 3:30 p.m.

15 Tuesday

16 Wednesday

- Storytellers on vacation until September 5.

17 Thursday

- SRDA Book Discussion **The Meaning of Everything** by Simon Winchester 1 p.m.
- 230 N. Union Avenue Room 202 1 - 5 p.m.
- Teen Stories **Hoot** by Carl Hiaasen Barkman 7:30 p.m.

18 Friday

19 Saturday

- Matinee Movie **The Rescuers (G)** Rawlings 2 p.m.
- InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Independent Film **Hawaii, Oslo** Rawlings 7 p.m.
- InfoZone - 4th Floor

20 Sunday

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

21 Monday

22 Tuesday

23 Wednesday

24 Thursday

- Storytellers on vacation until September 5.
- Teen Stories **Hoot** by Carl Hiaasen Barkman 7:30 p.m.

25 Friday

26 Saturday

- A Wormy Event White 2 p.m.
- Come enjoy wormy games and wormy snacks, but don't worry, only candy worms will be used. The event is free and open to kids in grades 2-5.

Matinee Movie **Flipper (PG)**

- Rawlings 2 p.m.
- InfoZone - 4th Floor

27 Sunday

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

August 2006

28 Monday

- **Story Times! Fun Times!**
Storytelling Workshop
Rawlings 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Ryals Room - 4th Floor
Call (719) 562-5603 by
August 23 to register.
Registration Fee - \$10
- includes lunch & snacks.
- **Protect Yourself From
Identity Theft**
by **Commander Pettinari
of the Pueblo Sheriff's
Office**
White 12 noon
The program is free and
open to the public, but
seating is limited. Please
call 562-5660 to register.

29 Tuesday

- **Storytellers on vacation
until September 5.**

30 Wednesday

- **Lovecraft at the Library**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
Thurston Room
Join us in playing pen-
and-paper H.P. Lovecraft-
inspired role-playing
games.

31 Thursday

- **Teen Stories**
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
Barkman 7:30 p.m.



Nonprofit Resource Center

The Nonprofit Resource Center is located on the 3rd floor of the Rawlings Public Library. This collection is comprised of information on such topics as nonprofit organizations and all aspects of fundraising and philanthropy.

The Colorado Grants Guide is available via Internet computers at all branches and at the main library. The library's subscription to this database is not available from outside these libraries.

The Foundation Directory Online and a new Foundation Center database, the Foundation Grants to Individuals Online, are only available on Internet computers located on the 3rd floor of

the Rawlings Public Library, not at branches.

Please ask a librarian at the 3rd floor Special Collections desk for assistance in logging in to these databases.

The Nonprofit Resource Center collection and grant research computers are located near the Special Collections desk and results can be printed or saved to disk or a flash drive (provided by the user).

To find out more about the library's nonprofit resources and learn about upcoming Southern Colorado nonprofit workshops and self education opportunities, please contact Richard Tucey at (719) 553-0202.

Library book-discussion groups

Barkman Literary Discussion

The Time Traveler's Wife
by Audrey Niffenegger
August 7 at 7 p.m.
Barkman Branch Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

A dazzling novel in the most untraditional fashion, this is the remarkable story of Henry DeTamble, a dashing, adventuresome librarian who travels involuntarily through time, and Clare Abshire, an artist whose life takes a natural sequential course.

Henry and Clare's love affair endures across a sea of time and captures the two lovers in an impossibly romantic trap, and it is Audrey Niffenegger's cinematic storytelling that makes the novel's unconventional chronology so vibrantly triumphant.

For more information about the Barkman Literary Discussion, please call Renee (719) 296-8018 or Carol at (719) 562-5680.

SRDA Book Discussion Program

The Meaning of Everything
by Simon Winchester
August 17 at 1 p.m.
SRDA, 230 N. Union Ave., Room 202

Winchester returns to the subject of his first bestseller, *The Professor and the Madman*, to tell the eventful, personality-filled history of the definitive English dictionary.

For more information about the SRDA Discussion Group, please call Rich at (719) 553-0228.

Rawlings Discussion Group
Marley & Me by John Grogan
September 5 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library, Thurston Rm.
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Grogan, a columnist for the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and his wife, Jenny, were newly married and living in West Palm Beach when they decided that owning a dog would give them a foretaste of the parenthood they anticipated.

Grogan's chronicle of the adventures parents and children (eventually three) enjoyed with the overly energetic but endearing dog is delivered with great humor.

For more information about the Rawlings Discussion Group, please call Rich at (719) 553-0228.

Lovecraft at the Library
August 30 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
Thurston Room
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Lovecraft at the Library is devoted to the works of the American horror writer, H.P. Lovecraft, and his literary disciples. Join us in playing pen-and-paper H.P. Lovecraft-inspired role-playing games. No experience is necessary and everyone is welcome.

Please call Geof at (719) 562-5601 for additional information about Lovecraft at the Library.

Playing this month @ your library



Silver Screams movie night



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

Join us for the 1943 Val Lewton classic, *I Walked with a Zombie*, on Wednesday, August 2 at 7 p. m. in the InfoZone Theater on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Library.

A discussion of this 70-minute film will follow its viewing. This event is free and open to the public. For additional information please call Geof at (719) 562-5601.

Saturday matinee movies at the InfoZone

The importance of friendship is the underlying theme of the Family Matinee Movies at the InfoZone News Museum this August.

The films are at 2 p.m., except on Saturday, August 12, when we have a special Disney double feature with movie screenings at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Covered drinks are welcome in the InfoZone, but food is not.

Movies in the InfoZone are always free!

Saturday, August 5

Black Stallion (G) - 2 p.m.

Saturday, August 12

Disney Double Feature (G)
Dumbo - 11 a.m.
Bambi - 2 p.m.

Saturday, August 19

The Rescuers (G) - 2 p.m.

Saturday, August 26

Flipper (PG) - 2 p.m.

Independent film series @ the InfoZone

Hawaii, Oslo

Directed by Erik Poppe

Norwegian Drama

Saturday, August 19, 7 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library

InfoZone Theater

Hawaii, Oslo is the story of several strangers who cross each other's paths in Oslo on the hottest day of the year.

A male nurse believes he can sense the future (as long as he's asleep), while a suicidal former pop star pines for the past.

"Hawaii" is a local bar where two long-lost lovers swear to meet to fulfill their childhood promise; Hawaii, the American state, is also the place where one lover's brother dreams of fleeing during his one-day furlough



from jail. Meanwhile, a grief-stricken couple hopes to make a desperate trip to the U.S. for an experimental operation to save their child's life.

The Independent Films are not rated and ordinarily portray adult situations and are not recommended for those younger than 17 without parental permission.

After the movie, enjoy complimentary refreshments or check out the view of the city from the 4th floor balcony. For more information, call (719) 562-5604 or visit www.infozonenewsmuseum.com.

TECHNOLOGY TIDBITS

BookNews, a new online service @ the library

The Library has introduced BookNews, a new online service for readers. This new service gives readers access to free electronic newsletters they wish to read. They can also elect to receive the monthly newsletters via email on the 15th of each month.

Readers can select electronic newsletters based on genres, including new fiction, new non-fiction, mystery, classics, business books, home and garden books, and science fiction books. Other categories include age (such as books for children and teens), large-print books, audio books and other interests.

For more information on this new service, contact Reference & Readers Advisory at (719) 562-5601.

You can also check out the staff picks and see what the local library staff are reading.



Learning Express library

Overcoming test-taking anxiety, raising test scores, and improving skills is possible with just the click of a mouse at your local library.

Visit your local library or use your home computer and access the library's web page (www.pueblolibrary.org), and enjoy free, unlimited access to interactive skill-building courses and a broad range of practice tests based on such official exams as the ACT, SAT, GED, ASVAB, Firefighter, Police Officer, Paramedic, EMT Basic, U.S. Citizenship, Postal Worker, Cosmetology, Real Estate Broker and Broker Exams. To find out more about how you can access Learning Express Library, call Reference & Readers Advisory at (719) 562-5601.

Safe driving class

Tuesday, August 22 and Thursday, August 24

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on both days

Rawlings Public Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

1st Floor Thurston Room

The Pueblo City-County Library District is proud to sponsor a Safe Driving course. Safe Driving is an eight-hour classroom refresher course for experienced motorists age 50 and older. The program, which was developed by AARP, addresses the physical changes that can affect driving ability and behavior and ways to compensate for those changes. Drivers will also learn how medications impact driving. Certified AARP instructors will teach the class.

Colorado rewards safe drivers with automobile insurance savings. Insurance companies have varying requirements. There is a \$10 charge for the booklet and a three-year certification of attendance. You must attend both nights to receive the attendance certificate.

This class is free to the public, but is limited to 20 participants. Due to the popularity of the course, early registration is recommended. To register, please call Tabitha at (719) 562-5606.

Learn the art of storytelling at the 2006 Summer Storytelling Workshop

Monday, August 28
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th Floor

Workshop Schedule

9 - 9:50 a.m. - Mother Goose Overview by Francie Hurtado - followed by explanations, discussion, and sharing time.

10 - 10:50 a.m. - Tales for Twos Overview by Connie Wilbar - followed by explanations, discussion, and sharing time.

11 - 11:50 a.m. - Preschool Story Time Overview by Michael Cox - followed by explanations, discussion, and sharing time.

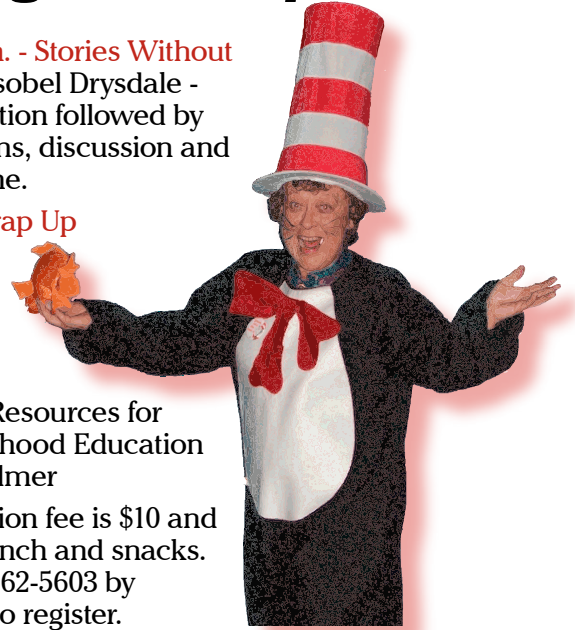
12 noon - 1 p.m. - Lunch in Ryals Room

1 - 1:50 p.m. - Stories Without Books by Isobel Drysdale - demonstration followed by explanations, discussion and sharing time.

2 p.m. - Wrap Up

Displays - Resources for Early Childhood Education by Jane Palmer

Registration fee is \$10 and includes lunch and snacks. Call (719) 562-5603 by August 23 to register.



Protect yourself from identity theft

Monday, August 28
12 p.m.
White Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

Commander Pettinari, a 19-year veteran of the Pueblo Sheriff's Office and leader of their high-technology crimes unit, will present a program on what you can do to protect yourself from becoming a victim of identity theft, which is on the rise every year.

The program is free and open to the public, but seating is limited. Please call (719) 562-5660 to register.

Veteran's Film Series

The War in Vietnam was the United States' longest conflict. Between 1964 and 1975 more than 2.59 million American servicemen and women served their country in Vietnam.

This month, the InfoZone News Museum, with the Veteran's Outreach of Community Advocates, will present The Long Way Home Project, a multi-part documentary series on the Vietnam War era.

A different hour-long episode from this award-winning film series will be shown each Thursday from August 1 through 22. Each of the four screenings will be held at 7 p.m. For more details, call (719)562-5604.

Thursday, August 3 - Men Verses Myth

Thursday, August 10 - How We Won the War

Thursday, August 17 - How We Lost the War

Thursday, August 24 - The New Diaspora



Kids' Pages

**Kids Day
Parade
Saturday,
September 2
10 a.m.
Mesa Junction
Area**

Please join the Pueblo City-County Library District staff at this year's Kids Day Parade.

The Kids Day Parade is an annual event during the Colorado State Fair.

The parade route starts at Quincy and Abriendo and proceeds toward Broadway, turns right onto Broadway, proceeds one block to Evans, turns right on Evans and disbands at Evans and Colorado.

Please come cheer us on as we strut our stuff in the parade and join in on all the fun.

See you there!

A wormy event

**Saturday, August 26
2 to 3 p.m.
White Branch Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.**

Head on over to Pueblo West's White Branch Library for a wormy good time. Find out what that means by attending this How to Eat Fried Worms Party. Come enjoy wormy games and wormy snacks, but don't worry, only candy worms will be used.

The event is free and open to kids in grades 2 through 5. For more information, call (719) 562-5660.

Pancake breakfast

The Mesa Junction Association will hold a pancake breakfast on Colorado Avenue, between Evans and Abriendo, before the Kids Day Parade. As part of our annual tradition, library staff works alongside Mesa Junction Association members to cook and serve this community breakfast.

Pancakes, eggs, breakfast meat (sausage or bacon) and a drink can be yours for the low price of \$4 per adult and \$2 per child. To purchase tickets to the breakfast in advance, please call Jacque at (719) 562-5634 or John at (719) 561-3731.

We hope you'll come out and enjoy breakfast with us before the parade.



Stuffed Animal Parade at Rawlings Library July 26.

Books in the Park outdoor libraries

Books in the Park is still going and going and going with fun opportunities at Bessemer, Mitchell and City Park until August 12! Families can come to check out books, read the *Pueblo Chieftain* (or take a free copy home), earn prizes on the reading gameboard, and join special story times.

At Bessemer Park on August 8 at 11 a.m., Park's Clerk Holly Jo and two Bessemer neighborhood friends, Jaime and Gabriel Duenez, will be presenting a bilingual story time. This is a first-time neighborhood event you won't want to miss. Everyone is invited!

At Mitchell Park on August 10 at 11 a.m., please join local celebrities, Judge William Alexander and his wife, Frances (Pueblo City-County Library District Trustee) as they read as only a judge and his wife can!

Books in the Park Hours & Locations

Bessemer Park

Mondays & Tuesdays - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Mitchell Park

Wednesdays & Thursdays - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

City Park

Fridays & Saturdays - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Jaime & Gabriel Duenez reading at Bessemer Park.

Celebrate with Smokey

Smokey Bear Birthday & Fire Safety Programs

Fridays, August 4 & 11

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Rawlings Public Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

InfoZone Theater - 4th floor

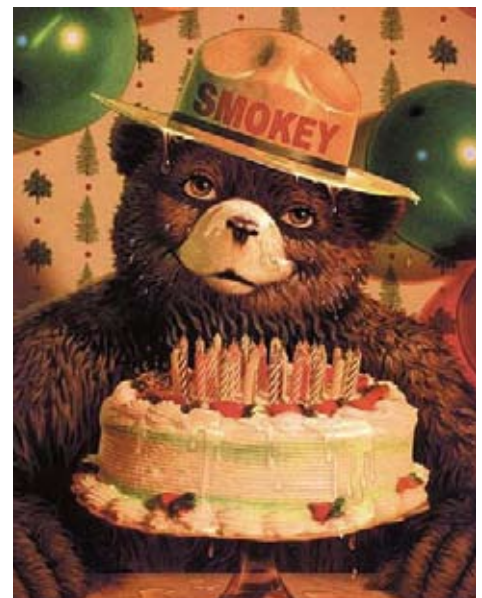
Smokey Bear is turning 62 and will make two special appearances at the InfoZone in August.

He'll visit with children who want to learn more about his exciting life story and how he became a symbol for Fire Prevention.

Come to the InfoZone News Museum on Friday, August 4 and again on Friday, August 11 and learn

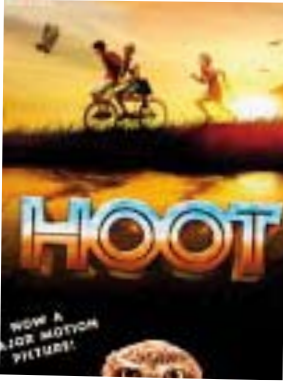
about the importance of fire safety from one of Smokey Bear's U.S. Forest Service friends. Then watch a video on the big screen that tells the true story of the real bear cub that became known worldwide as Smokey Bear. You'll also have a chance to win some collectable Smokey posters and pick up free temporary tattoos, bookmarks, stickers, and comic books.

So be sure to come to the InfoZone and share a piece of birthday cake with Smokey and say thanks to him for the crucial role he plays in teaching us all about fire safety because "Remember - Only you can prevent wildfires."



Don't forget to buy brand-new children's books 2 for \$1 at our fundraiser for the Pueblo West Library! See page three for details.

Teen Scene



Teen stories at Barkman Library

Thursdays in August at 7:30 p.m.
Barkman Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Road
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Unfortunately, Roy's first acquaintance in Florida is Dana Matherson, a well-known bully. Then again, if Dana hadn't been sinking his thumbs into Roy's temples and

mashing his face against the school-bus window, Roy might never have spotted the running boy. And the running boy is intriguing: he was running away from the school bus, carried no books, and—here's the odd part—wore no shoes.

This event is free and open to teens in grades five through eight. For information, call the Barkman Library at (719) 562-5680.

The Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library and the Barkman, Lamb, & White branches will be closed Monday, September 4 for Labor Day.

Honors-student reading club

Are you an Honors English student entering your freshman year of high school in District 60 this year? If so, you have a lot of requires summer reading to do. Make you required reading a lot more fun by joining the discussion group at the Rawlings Library. Eat food, meet your new classmates, talk about the important issues in the book and view movie clips.

This club is free and open to students entering the 9th grade. Please call Mr. Mike at (719) 562-5603 for more information. You don't have to sign up, just show up!

2 p.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday, August 7 *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll
2 p.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday, August 14 *Treasure Island* by Robert Stevenson

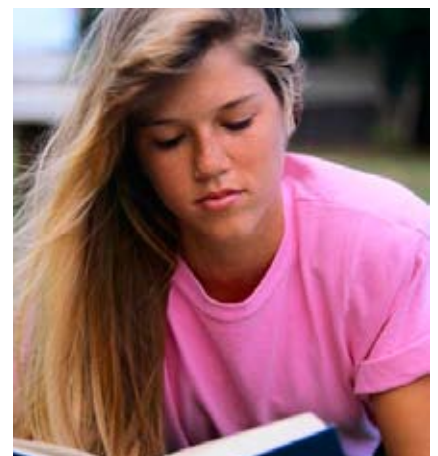


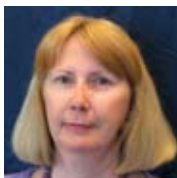
Teen girls' summer read-in

Wednesday, August 9
11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Lamb Library
2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.

Bring your pillow and blanket and plan to get comfy for a fun night of games, challenges and make-up tips. There will also be prizes given away every hour, which you must be present to win. We also invite you bring books and CDs to trade with others.

This free, fun event is open to girls in grades six and up. Space is limited and reservations are a must, so please call the Lamb Branch Library at (719)562-5670 to get on the list.





Friends of the Library President's Corner by Jeanne Gardner

The purpose of the Friends of the Pueblo City-County Library District is to “help the library system make educational, informational, cultural and recreational services available to the public.” In fulfillment of this purpose, the Friends present the following accomplishments for 2005-06.

The Friends:

- Judged the Scary Story Contest by reading 2,140 entries. The 44 winners received a booklet of the winning stories and a gift certificate.
- Presented \$20 Books Again gift certificates to the authors of the 16 winners of the library's Poetry Contest.
- Provided gift certificates for winners of the Create Your Own Dr. Seuss Contest. There were 1,050 entrants.
- Sponsored the Pueblo Girl Essay Contest. Fourth and fifth grade girls submitted 83 entries.
- Presented Most Improved Reader Certificates to 793 children during awards ceremonies at 42 schools.
- Donated \$5,500 to the 2006 Summer Reading Club.
- Established a \$3,000 yearly scholarship for a library district employee seeking a Masters of Library Science.
- Provided \$5,000 for printing and mailing *News & Events*, of which more than 12,000 copies were mailed in 2005.

- Donated \$750 to purchase globes for the main and branch libraries.
- Gave \$450 to purchase audio cassette and compact disc players to support the Homebound program.
- Sponsored adult programs on topics ranging from diabetic cooking to Pueblo's future.
- Paid for the Library Districts' Staff Development Day luncheon.
- Honored Joyce A. Vigil and Debbie Rose at the 24th Pueblo Women's History Week celebration.
- Held the Annual Meeting, where Barbara Daubenspeck performed as “Baby Doe Tabor.”

To make these contributions possible, the Friends raise funds through memberships and the sale of used books.

- Memberships totaled 356 (109 individual, 74 family, 21 business, 116 gold card, 36 benefactor, and 1 patron). Membership proceeds totaled \$10,360.
- Books Again, a used book store, replaced the annual book sale. Net income from this enterprise was nearly \$28,000. A Project Selection Committee was established to recommend how Books Again income would be used in support of the library district.

Thank you for supporting the Friends in 2005-2006.

Back to School Already? by Edna Shoaf

Well, for pity sakes! Here we were just having a good ole time with hot lazy days of going bare foot, getting sunburned, eating fresh stuff out of the garden, and picnics in Mayfield's grove, when you look at the calendar and it is August already! Shucks, just when we thought summer would go on forever.

But, hey, that means we have to get ready for school! Wow! Dig out the Montgomery Ward and Sears catalogs. Grandma says I must have grown a foot at least, so that means a couple pair of new overalls and socks and unmentionables. Mama will drag out the sewing machine, and I get to pick

out a pretty piece of flower sack material for a new shirt to wear with the coveralls so we can ride the horse to school. And there is even, maybe, a new dress for Sunday School. Lucky me that Mama bakes her own bread, so there are lots of flour sacks to choose from.

Then, come Saturday, it is off to town for NEW SHOES! Oh, boy, oh joy, if one is extremely lucky, the shoes will squeak! Walk across the floor to sharpen a pencil - squeak, squeak and the teacher frowns and the other kids snicker. Then squeak, squeak, back to your desk. Just have to go throw (continued on page 8)

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a used piece of paper in the wastebasket - squeak, squeak, squeak, squeak - toal ectasy!

And the smells, exquisite! A new Big Chief tablet and a couple of yellow pencils, not little bitty stubs, but brand, spanking new pencils. And new shoes smell just totally marvelous (hopefully they will squeak). Then there is the smell of new paint on the classroom walls, and chalk dust, and if you have been really, really good, teacher will let you go outside a few minutes before school is out and clean those blackboard erasers. Pound them on the side of the building and they make neat little patterns of white.

Then you stand there a minute, pleased with the white patterns you made, just looking at the yellow leaves on the trees, smelling the fall air, thinking about Halloween soon to come, and then Thanksgiving, and before long Christmas! And there is still some ice left over from the hundred pound block we brought home from town, so Mama will be making another freezer of ice cream tonight after supper. Life is swell!