

News & Events

Of the Pueblo City-County Library District

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Library expansion in full swing

A nearly 5,000 square-foot conference center, art gallery and hundreds more items to check out are just a few of the amenities that will be available when the new Pueblo West Library is completed in early 2009. The library is expanding from 5,000 square feet to more than 28,000 square feet.

In order to serve library patrons better in the future, the expansion construction will create a temporary closure. **The last day of library services at the White Public Library will be Aug. 30.** Library district officials anticipate the closure to last through early 2009.

In the meantime, a temporary Drop Stop will be open starting Sept. 8. Two services will be available at the Drop Stop, located across the street at 279 S. Joe Martinez Blvd. (Roselawn Cemetery and Funeral Home). At this location, patrons will be able to drop off library materials and pick up items placed on hold. Hours for the Drop Stop are Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hours:

Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sunday (Rawlings only)
1 – 5 p.m.

Public library locations:

Barkman Public Library
562-5680
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Lamb Public Library
562-5670
2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.

Rawlings Public Library
562-5600
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

White Public Library
(Pueblo West)
562-5660
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

Satellite library locations:

Avondale Elementary
947-3047
213 Hwy. 50 E.

Beulah School
485-3129
8734 Schoolhouse Ln.

Craver Middle School
676-3850
4850 Crow Cut Off

Cesar Chavez Academy
586-9199
2500 W. 18th St.

North Mesa Elementary
948-2551
28881 Gale Road

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

Rye Elementary
489-2272
8120 Hwy. 165 W.

South Mesa Elementary
543-0738
23701 E. Preston Rd.

Vineland Elementary
948-2633
35777 Iris Rd.

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Library patrons are excited about the nearly 25,000 square foot addition to the Pueblo West Library.



The White Public Library closes on August 30 until early 2009 when the expansion is completed.

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Events Calendar Aug. 2008

1 Friday

- **Mother Goose Stories**
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Storytime**
Rawlings 11 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 11:30 a.m.

2 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
Spiderwick Chron. (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

3 Sunday

- **Rawlings Library is open 1-5 p.m.**
- **Matinee Movie**
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Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

4 Monday

- **Storytellers are on vacation. They will return on Sept. 2.**
- **Required Summer Reading Club Book Discussion Group**
Treasure Island & Alice in Wonderland
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Required Summer Reading Club Movie Showing: *Treasure Island***
Rawlings 3:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Barkman book discussion group**
The Omnivore's Dilemma
Barkman 7 p.m.

5 Tuesday

6 Wednesday

7 Thursday

8 Friday

9 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
Meet the Robinsons (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

10 Sunday

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Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

11 Monday

- **Required Reading Club Book Discussion**
The Great Gatsby
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Required Reading Club Movie *The Great Gatsby***
Rawlings 3:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

12 Tuesday

13 Wednesday

14 Thursday



The library online

by Jon Walker

The library-like most institutions today - has been greatly impacted by computers and other information technologies.

For example, last year more than 285,000 people logged onto library Internet computers in Pueblo County, compared to only a handful a mere 10 years ago. Without a doubt, providing public access to the Internet is a growing and important part of library business.

This is not the only important impact computers have on the library. In fact, the entire operation of the library depends on modern information technologies. We acquire new books for the collection online. The library catalog is online. You are able to reserve and hold books and other materials online. We send customer notifications via automated telephone and email systems. The library website is a gateway to a number of online databases providing access to authoritative information on myriad topics—including magazines and newspapers, automotive repair, business, education, genealogy, health, job skills, legal resources and much more. You can even connect online live with a librarian and get help researching facts and information. Today, computer and web technologies have truly made library services available 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

There is no doubt that information technology is important for the services the library provides. The critical nature

of technology to the modern library is the reason we started a special upgrade project in December 2007. This project envisions spending more than \$629,000 over a two-year period in 2008 and 2009 to increase library Internet and network speeds, replace all library computers and add a new telephone system. The first step in this process took place in July, when a new high-speed library Internet service went into service. The new library Internet service is more than 300% faster than before. This will be followed in August with significantly faster network connections between library branches. Later in 2008 and 2009 we will replace all the personal-use computers in the library. The last step in the project will be a new telephone system to be put in place later in 2009.

A comprehensive national study entitled "Public Libraries and the Internet 2007: Report to the American Library Association" (http://www.ii.fsu.edu/plinternet_reports.cfm) found that "while public libraries provide a substantial amount of public access Internet and computing service, the overall physical infrastructure they are able to provide may be lacking in quality." We should all take pride that the Pueblo City-County Library District is not one of those libraries behind the curve when it comes to computers and technology. Instead, we are setting the trend with the adoption and implementation of current and modern information technology.

You may reach Jon Walker, Pueblo City-County Library District Executive Director, by calling 562-5633.



Library board president Philip Mancha accepts a check from Jane Rawlings and Doris Kester in support of maintaining the newly named Doris D. Kester Southern Colorado Community Foundation Nonprofit Resource Center at the Rawlings Library.

Summer reading club fun @ the library!

Aug. 2008



Children enjoying Craft Day at Barkman Library.



Librarian Paula Pryich educates kids at the Barkman Library's Craft Day in July.



Bug making at Craft Day at White Library.



Children and adults participating in a Summer Reading Club activity at White Library.

15 Friday

16 Saturday

- Recycle Your Old Electronics @ the Library Rawlings 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. southeast parking lot
- Matinee Movie *College Road Trip* (G) Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Independent Film *August the First* Rawlings 7 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor

17 Sunday

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- Matinee Movie *College Road Trip* (G) Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4th Floor

18 Monday

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- Required Summer Reading Club Book Discussion *The Crucible* Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor
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19 Tuesday

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Sept. 1 Monday

- All Libraries closed for Labor Day.

Barkman book-discussion group

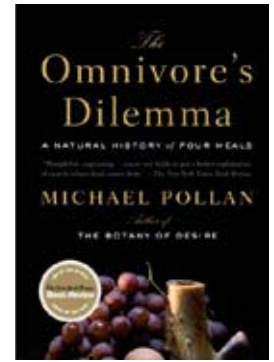
Monday, Aug. 4 at 7 p.m.

The Omnivore's Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals

by Michael Pollan

Barkman Public Library

1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.



A national bestseller that has changed the way readers view the ecology of eating, this revolutionary book by award winner Michael Pollan asks the seemingly simple question: What should we have for dinner? Tracing from source to table each of the food chains that sustain us—whether industrial or organic, alternative or processed—he develops a portrait of the American way of eating. The result is a sweeping, surprising exploration of the hungers that have shaped our evolution, and of the profound implications our food choices have for the health of our species and the future of our planet.. This event is free and open to the public. For more information about the Barkman book-discussion group, please call 562-5680.

Recycle your old electronics @ the library

Saturday, Aug. 16, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library - southeast parking lot

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Do you have electronics at home that you're no longer using and don't know what to do with? The Pueblo City-County Library District is sponsoring an electronic-waste recycling event for all those gadgets and gizmos that you're done using. Denver-based GRX is a genuine recycler dedicated to proper handling of electronic waste. They do not export unprocessed material, dump in landfills, or use prison labor. They offer complete disassembly of all electronic waste. For questions about this event, please contact: Ryan McClure at (719) 325-6673.

Items recycled for free include:

Cell phones
DVD/VCR/Stereo equipment
Printers and fax machines
Laptops

Items recycled for \$8 to \$25 include:

Computer monitors
TVs

Gale LegalForms

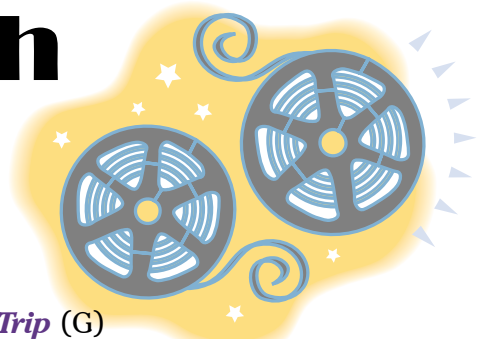
If you need to set up a living will, change your name or file for divorce, the library now offers you an easy, do-it-yourself solution for creating legal documents online. Gale LegalForms offers downloadable, printable legal documents that are customized to comply with Colorado's laws. It's as simple as finding your form, filling it out and saving or printing it. There are even examples of correctly completed forms.

To access this resource, go to the library's website, www.pueblolibrary.org, click on "Online Resources," click on "Legal Resources" and then click on "Gale LegalForms." You will need to enter your library-card number if you are accessing this resource outside of the library.



**The Barkman, Lamb, Rawlings and White libraries
will be closed on Monday, September 1 for Labor Day.**

Playing this month @ your library



Matinee movies @ the InfoZone

All screenings are at 2 p.m., and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are. The InfoZone Theatre is located on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo. All movies shown are free!

Spiderwick Chronicles (PG)
Saturday, Aug. 2 & Sunday, Aug. 3

Meet the Robinsons (G)
Saturday, Aug. 9 & Sunday, Aug. 10

College Road Trip (G)
Saturday, Aug. 16 & Sunday, Aug. 17

Ice Age 2: The Meltdown (PG)
Saturday, Aug. 23 & Sunday, Aug. 24

The Last Mimzy (PG)
Saturday, Aug. 30 & Sunday, Aug. 31

Independent film series @ the InfoZone

August the First
Directed by Lanre Olabisi
Drama - United States
Saturday, Aug. 16 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor



It is the morning of Tunde's graduation party and things have already begun to unravel. Tunde has managed to alienate his sister, Simisola. His oldest brother, Ade, persistently plagues him with criticism, and their mother has started drinking again. Unbeknownst to most, Tunde has orchestrated the return of his long estranged father, resurrecting unresolved family anguish against the backdrop of Tunde's celebration. As the day turns to night, old wounds are re-opened and bad habits

are revived. Layer by layer, deception and half-truths are peeled away as secrets are uncovered in what will become the most unforgettable day the family has ever experienced.

The film is free, and public seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information about the Independent Films call 562-5604 or send an e-mail to InfoZone@pueblolibrary.org.

Come discuss the future of libraries

Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2 to 4 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor

"The Future of Libraries" will feature the far-seeing wisdom of Eugene Hainer, Colorado State Library; Martin Garnar, Colorado Association of Libraries; and Valerie Horton, Colorado Library Consortium. Librarians and the public are invited to join a town hall meeting to discuss how these organizations support the work of libraries, the future of libraries in Colorado and the future of the library profession.

This is your chance to give Colorado library organizations feedback about how they can support libraries and librarians. For more information on how to participate, visit http://www.clicweb.org/library_community/Town_Hall2008.php.



Kids' Pages

Summer reading club 2008 wrap-up



There's still time to finish the reading game-board and win grand prizes! All children and teens who complete the reading game-boards by Aug. 15 and register at a library will automatically be entered into drawings for grand prizes, but you must go to a Pueblo City-County Library District location and register to win.

Grand prizes for children include puppets, bug hats and science kits. Grand prizes for teens include prepaid \$50 Visa cards.



Children enjoy Craft Day at the Rawlins Public Library during the week of June 30.



Books are **blooming** at Books in the Park!



Clockwise: library board member Marlene Bregar, library board member Fran Alexander, kids enjoy a funny book, C-Bee and friends, celebrity reader Bill Bregar. Center: Otis the pug bug and friends.



Teen Scene

Required Summer Reading Club

Are you an Honors English student entering 9th or 10th grade in Pueblo City Schools this year? If so, you have some required summer reading to do. Make your required reading a lot more fun by joining the discussion groups at the Rawlings Public Library. Eat food, meet your new classmates, talk about the important issues in the books and view movie clips.

Book Discussion Groups:
Mondays 2 to 3:15 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Aug. 4th – *Treasure Island*
 & *Alice in Wonderland*

Aug. 11th – *The Great Gatsby*

Aug. 18th – *The Crucible*

Movie Showings:
Mondays at 3:30 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Aug. 4th – *Treasure Island* (PG)

Aug. 11th – *The Great Gatsby* (PG)

Aug. 18th – *The Crucible* (PG-13)

For more details: call 562-5603 and ask for Mr. Mike. No sign-up required. Just come to the Rawlings Library!



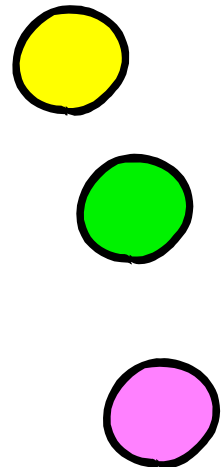
Christopher Keller performs a few tricks with Ralph the wonder dog at the Barkman Library Juggling program.



Christopher Keller instructs teens on juggling at a Barkman Teen Summer Reading Club event.



Brent Garrett & Jacob Spera perform stunts at Lamb library's One Wheeled Madness program.





Teens practice their juggling with balls they made at a recent teen program at Barkman Library.



Brent Garrett & Jacob Spera balance on bookshelves in the Rawlings teen area during the One Wheeled Madness teen program.



Teen volunteers preparing for programs at White.



Teens prepare to eat the gummy bugs they made at the Edible Insects program at Barkman Library.



Pueblo City-County Library District Trustees honor this quarter's high-performing employees. Front row (left to right): Sherri Baca, Jessica Guerra, Tracy Overton, Francie Hurtado, Marion Bond, Vanessa Archuletta and Charlotte Taullie. Back row (left to right): Gil Trujillo, Fredrick Quintana, Marlene Bregar, Jim Stuart, Philip Mancha, Jim Allenback, Janay Sanchez, Monica Duran and Teresa Valenti.



Trustee Talk by Phil Mancha

Welcome to Trustee Corner. My name is Phil Mancha and I am President of the Board of Trustees for the Pueblo City-County Library District. This is the first note from the Trustee Corner. Each month a different trustee will introduce themselves to you and share their thoughts or concerns with you.

I want to talk a little about the Pueblo City-County Library as a virtual library - a 24/7 library - a true 21st century library. You can access information from your Pueblo City-County Library at anytime - day or night. All you need is your library card. In the "old days" you had to show up at the library door in order to use the library. No longer! Now you can go online and use any of the numerous, available, front line databases. For example, there are health databases, history databases, magazine databases, newspaper databases and many, many more.

Students can write their term papers at home using Pueblo City-County Library databases. Non-students can look up particular pieces of information for personal interest or to prepare a report for work. All of this is available with your library card, and it is all free.

But using databases is not all that is available 24/7. Say that you wake up in the middle of the night wanting to read a particular novel. You can look it up in the online catalogue and reserve the book - all at 3 a.m. in the morning.

You can return your book to one of our book returns at any time of the day or night - another 24/7 feature. In the future it may be possible to order a book at any time of the day or night, and the book can be picked up by you within a short time of placing the order and pick up time could be 3 a.m. in the morning if that is what you wish.

So the Pueblo City-County Library is a true 24/7, 21st century institution. When you think about it, very few institutions or businesses in Pueblo are 24/7 institutions. ATM's, police and some health services and some food and beverage establishments are 24/7, and you may be able to think of a few more to add to this list.

Your public library is always available to you, the citizens of Pueblo City and County day and night and year round.

We, the Trustees, and the Library staff strive to make as many library resources available to you as our technology and our people can provide. We believe that availability and accessibility is good customer service and what you expect from your library.

Friends of the Library president's corner **by Jim Stuart**



Somehow 2005 doesn't quite seem like three years ago already, but as I look at the sales figures from Books Again I realized suddenly that we have been in business three years. My, my how the time does fly when you are having a great time with books! Who would have guessed that in those three years we would have sold over \$205,000 dollars worth of used books. Most of these books have been sold for 75% or more off the retail price, and of course we have those buy-them-by-the-bag sales, so I figure at full retail value we have sold around a million dollars worth. Too bad we don't have the million, but personally I think the \$205,000 is pretty darn good. Except for building up some operating reserves, a little remodeling and a new air conditioner about 60% of our funds, or a total

of a little over \$100,000 has gone, or will go in the near future, to helping the Library District. Should we be proud? You're darned right. Should we thank a lot of volunteers (too many to mention) for this success? Absolutely. Do we have some terrific regular customers? You bet. Has the library staff helped make this happen and need also to be thanked? No doubt about it. The only down side is that all these sales keep raising the bar, and we want to keep selling more books every year. So tell your friends, come in and buy books, talk up the store. It is a really great place for book lovers, and if you are reading this I assume that means YOU!

What are you reading today? **by Edna Shoaf**

Just for fun the other day, I took a walk around Books Again to see what all was on our shelves. Usually, I am so busy keeping my adopted area neat and tidy and up-to-date that I seldom visit other areas of the store. Most of our volunteers have adopted one or more subject areas to care for. I do all types of sewing, painting and drawing, art and artists, architecture, hobbies, and arts and crafts. That usually keeps me out of trouble.

If you are a collector of any type of articles, I can usually find a book that gives you the prices you can expect to pay for a particular object. Do you keep baseball cards? There is a humongous book on the shelf telling all about the subject and what many of the cards are worth in today's market. Does beautiful glassware stir your juices? Just come on over and I will show you the books that price many thousands of pieces of every type and color.

Are you thinking of doing some decorating of your home? Maybe new curtains or pillows, or perhaps you need to see different types of upholstery. Yep, there are books for that, also. Planning a wedding? Learning to paint china? How about singing in a choir, or playing a musical instrument? Would you be interested in knowing how movies are made? Or perhaps the making of children's stuffed toys appeals to you.

Are your eyes beginning to dim a bit? Go to the large print section of books. Do you enjoy sports - all types, or perhaps cooking or gardening appeals to you. Do you particularly enjoy biographies or autobiographies? Do you want to learn how to rumba or do other types of dances? Or perhaps you are into exercise and fitness or diet and nutrition. Would you like to learn about some

unusual health remedies or delve into the paranormal and mysticism.

Do you need to know how to control your anger or stop worrying? Perhaps you would like to relax and do some beadwork and make jewelry. In the education section you will find books on home schooling, writing, math, poetry, and drama. Have you begun looking up your ancestors and need help with genealogy. Would you enjoy listening to books or music on tape, or perhaps you need a movie for the evening.

Is history your real interest? Boy, do we have books for you - from ancient days to modern life and all in between. There are books on war and settling the west, and especially concerning the story of Colorado and how our state grew.

Do you have children in your household? We have a wonderful section for little ones as well as chapter books for older readers, and there is an entire section for teens. Are you enjoying science fiction or westerns? We have entire sections for those two. Then our fiction selection is tremendous, and we receive books which look as if they have never been opened.

So, don't just sit there bored from the same old, same old on television. Just make a journey over to Books Again and be prepared to be overwhelmed! School will be starting again very soon, so perhaps your student can find copies of books that are required reading. In any case, come check on us - we may have just the thing to make your day perfect! And always remember that people rarely succeed at anything unless they have fun doing it! Have a great August!

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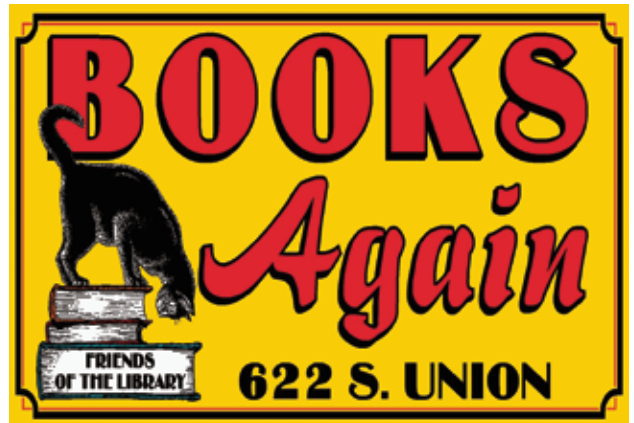
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