

# News & Events

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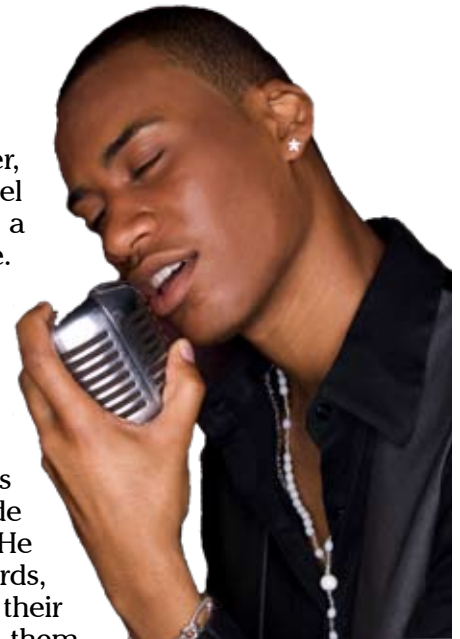
## Move over American Idol...Nashville music producer coming to Pueblo!

Presented by Gabriel Farago  
 Saturday, Dec. 6 from 1 - 3:30 p.m.  
 Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
 Meeting Room B - 1<sup>st</sup> floor

Want to break in to the music business? Singer, songwriter and Nashville music producer Gabriel Farago will tell you how to do it in a free, two and a half hour seminar. Gabriel speaks from experience. He has worked in almost every aspect of the music business since he began releasing his own songs in the 1980s. He established his own recording label (NSD Records) in 1972 and helped launch the careers of Alabama and Aaron Tippin. Five of his own songs have made the Bill Board charts. He also produces records, promotes artists and their work, and even offers them

such services as image consultation and musical "make-overs." Although he got his own start in country, he also works with rock, R & B, and contemporary Christian performers.

So, if you've always wondered if you have the talent and drive to make it in the music business, join us for an informative afternoon. While the event is free and open to the public, seating is limited and on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, contact Rebecca at (719) 562-5624.



### 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. 18<sup>th</sup> 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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## Events Calendar Dec. 2008

### 1 Monday

- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Barkman Book Discussion group**  
*Festive Evening of Literary Fun, Food and Frivolity*  
Barkman 7 p.m.

### 2 Tuesday

- **Preschool Story Time**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

### 3 Wednesday

- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Story Time**  
Barkman 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

### 4 Thursday

- **Pajama Mother Goose**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.

### 5 Friday

- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Story Time**  
Rawlings 11 a.m.

### 6 Saturday

- **Move over American Idol**  
- Nashville music producer Gabriel Farago coming to Pueblo  
Rawlings 1 p.m.  
Meeting room B - 1<sup>st</sup> floor
- **Matinee Movie**  
*Alvin and the Chipmunks* (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 7 Sunday

- **Rawlings Library is Open** 1 - 5 p.m.
- **Matinee Movie**  
*Alvin and the Chipmunks* (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 8 Monday

- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

### 9 Tuesday

- **Preschool Story Time**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene: Making Christmas Ornaments**  
Barkman 3:30 p.m.

### 10 Wednesday

- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Story Time**  
Barkman 10 a.m.



## Measuring Results

by Jon Walker

Since 2005, the Pueblo City-County Library District has been on a mission. We set broad goals in 2005 to reach out more to specific populations in our community, to begin to address some library capital needs, and to increase use of the library.

How have we done in reaching our goals? Let's take a look at some of the results.

We have been trying hard to improve services for targeted groups. We established Teen Central areas at our libraries geared toward the tastes of young adults. The Library's Summer Reading Program continuously has won acclaim throughout the state of Colorado for its service to younger people. All Pueblo Reads celebrated its fourth (and best) year in 2008 with the recent visit to Pueblo by best-selling author Amy Tan. Established in 2007, Nuestra Biblioteca at the Rawlings Library is focused on recognizing our community's rich Hispanic culture and traditions. Books in the Park touches some of our less affluent neighborhoods such as Mitchell Park on the East Side and Minnequa Park in Bessemer. This year's implementation of Accessible Avenues enables the library to better serve those with disabilities. We reinvigorated PCCLD's Homebound Program in 2006 in delivering books to people who are unable to come to the library. We reached out to the nonprofit community in Pueblo with the establishment in 2005 of the Nonprofit Resource Center at the Rawlings Library.

We also are planning a new Vocation and Business Center at the Pueblo West Library to assist those in our community seeking to improve their economic standing.

We have been addressing library capital needs, too. Early in 2009 we will open the greatly enlarged and wholly renovated Pueblo West Library. Later in 2009, we will open a new branch library on the YMCA campus on the westside of Pueblo. Earlier in 2006, we renewed our commitment to the nine School District 70 and Pueblo City Schools Satellite Libraries, and also upgraded our Satellite in Colorado City when it moved into the Craver Middle School there.

These and other efforts have resulted in increased use of libraries throughout the county. The number of books and other library materials that customers check-out has increased from 1,028,792 in 2005 to 1,138,689 in 2007. This is an increase of 10.7 percent. So far this year in 2008, use is up another 15.6% compared with last year. Attendance at Library-sponsored programs increased from 56.3 percent during the same period, and is up another 21.5% this year. Clearly, library use is on the upswing.

It is useful to set goals. Those we set in 2005 provided us direction to work toward. It is gratifying now to look back and see how well we have done in achieving the goals we set.

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



# Books & Beyond @ Your Library: Dia de los Muertos event



Participants gather outside of the Rawlings Library for the Day of the Day Celebration.



Boys from the Aymoray dancers perform in the courtyard at the Rawlings Public Library.



Dancers from the Aymoray dancers prepare to perform at the Dias de los Muertos celebration.



Dia de los Muertos participants pose with Hispanic resources librarian, Charlene Garcia Simms (far right).

Dec. 2008

## 10 Wednesday

- Tales for Twos  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Preschool Story Time  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

## 11 Thursday

- Pajama Mother Goose  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.

## 12 Friday

- Mother Goose Stories  
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- Preschool Story Time  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- Bilingual Story Time  
Rawlings 11 a.m.

## 13 Saturday

- Discover the Art of Woodturning demonstration  
Rawlings 11 a.m.  
Ryals room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Matinee Movie  
*The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian* (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 14 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is Open 1 - 5 p.m.
- Matinee Movie  
*The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian* (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 15 Monday

- Storytellers are on vacation until Monday, Jan. 5.

## 16 Tuesday

## 17 Wednesday

- Bilingual Story Time  
Barkman 10 a.m.
- Preschool Story Time  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.

## 18 Thursday

## 19 Friday

## 20 Saturday

- Matinee Movie  
*Fred Claus* (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Independent Film  
*The Island*  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 21 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is closed.

## 22 Monday

- Storytellers are on vacation until Monday, Jan. 5.
- Matinee Movie  
*How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (G)  
(cartoon version)  
Rawlings 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 23 Tuesday

- Matinee Movie  
*Mr. Bean's Holiday* (PG)  
Rawlings 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

**Dec. 2008**

**24 Wednesday**

- All Libraries are closed for Christmas Eve.

**25 Thursday**

- All Libraries are closed for Christmas Day.

**26 Friday**

- Matinee Movie  
*The Santa Clause* (PG)  
Rawlings 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

**27 Saturday**

- Matinee Movie  
*Curious George* (G)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

**28 Sunday**

- Rawlings Library is closed.

**29 Monday**

- Storytellers are on vacation until Monday, Jan. 5.
- Matinee Movie  
*Opus and Bill: A Wish for Wings that Work* (NR)  
Rawlings 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

**30 Tuesday**

- Matinee Movie  
*A Charlie Brown Christmas* (G) & *Little Polar Bear* (G)  
Rawlings 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Start the New Year a Winner!  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
Meeting room B - 1<sup>st</sup> floor

**31 Wednesday**

- Matinee Movie  
*Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* (G) (1971 version)  
Rawlings 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- All Libraries close at 6 p.m. for New Year's Eve.

**Jan 1 Thursday**

- All Libraries are closed for New Year's Day.

## **Barkman book-discussion group**

Monday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.  
Festive Evening of Literary Fun, Food & Frivolity  
Barkman Public Library  
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

There will be a potluck meal and you are invited to read a Christmas book of any title and give a brief review. This event is free and open to the public. For more information about the Barkman book-discussion group, please call (719) 562-5680.



## **Discover the art of Woodturning**

Saturday, Dec. 13 at 11 a.m. (demonstration)  
Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
Ryals room- 4<sup>th</sup> floor



The woodturners will present a demonstration in the Ryals Room on the fourth floor of Rawlings Public Library. Watch the artists at work and learn about their unique craft. Videos of both local and national woodturners will be shown in the InfoZone theater from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. that offer a glimpse into all the beautiful crafts that come to life in a woodturner's hands.

Check out the Pueblo Woodturners display in the InfoZone through the month of December. Some of the pieces will be up for sale just in time for the holidays. Pueblo Woodturners is an organization set up to promote learning and enjoyment of woodturning. The basic focus is on lathe work, but the skills and information presented are useful in many areas of arts and crafts. The inclusion of stone, metal, acrylic and weavings into turned pieces is generating a new artistic appreciation of the medium. The Pueblo chapter has members of all skill levels and their directions of interest are just as varied. Club members produce works of art ranging from vases and bowls to curios and jewelry.

## **Picturing America Exhibit @ the InfoZone**

Dec. 1 - Dec. 31  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
InfoZone News Museum - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

Visit the InfoZone News Museum this month to experience the "Picturing America" exhibit. Great art speaks powerfully, inspires fresh thinking and connects us to our past. Picturing America, a new initiative from the National Endowment for the Humanities, brings masterpieces of American art into classrooms and libraries nationwide. Through this innovative program, students and citizens will gain a deeper appreciation of our country's history and character through the study and understanding of its art.



Grant Wood (American, 1892-1942), *The Midnight Run of Paul Revere*, 1931, Oil on Masonite: H. 30, W. 40 in.: The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Arthur Hoppock Fern Fund, 1950 (50,117) Photograph © 1988 The Metropolitan Museum of Art. Art © Estate of Grant Wood/Licensed by VAGA, New York

# Playing this month @ your library

## Holiday movie fun @ the InfoZone

Looking for something fun to do during the holiday break? Come to the InfoZone Theatre and enjoy a matinee movie nearly every day during your school break. Don't forget the regular Saturday matinees as well. 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 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo. Remember all movie screenings are free!

***Alvin and the Chipmunks*** (PG)  
Saturday, Dec. 6 & Sunday, Dec. 7

***The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian*** (PG)  
Saturday, Dec. 13 & Sunday, Dec. 14

***Fred Claus*** (PG)  
Saturday, Dec. 20

***Curious George*** (G)  
Saturday, Dec. 27

**Winter break movies:  
11 a.m. & 2 p.m.**

***How the Grinch Stole Christmas*** (cartoon version) (G)  
Monday, Dec. 22

***Mr. Bean's Holiday*** (PG)  
Tuesday, Dec. 23

***The Santa Clause*** (PG)  
Friday, Dec. 26

***Opus and Bill: A Wish for Wings that Work*** (NR)  
Monday, Dec. 29

***A Charlie Brown Christmas*** (G) and  
***Little Polar Bear*** (G)  
Tuesday, Dec. 30

***Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory***  
(1971 version) (G)  
Wednesday, Dec. 31

## Independent film series @ the InfoZone

***The Island***  
Directed by Pavel Lounguine  
Drama-Spiritual - Russia; English subtitles  
Saturday, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
InfoZone Theatre - 4<sup>th</sup> floor



Somewhere in Northern Russia in a small Russian Orthodox monastery lives a very unusual man. His fellow monks are confused by his bizarre conduct.

Those who visit the island believe he has the power to heal, exorcise demons and foretell the future. However, he considers himself unworthy because of a

sin he committed in his youth. The film is a parable, combining the realities of Russian life with monastic ritual and routine.

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](mailto:InfoZone@pueblolibrary.org).



## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Barkman, Lamb, & Rawlings public libraries will be closed Sunday, Dec. 21, Wednesday, Dec. 24 & Thursday, Dec. 25 for Christmas.

All public libraries will be closed Sunday, Dec. 28.

All public libraries will close at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 31 and will be closed Thursday, Jan. 1 for New Year's Day.



Get your quit smoking kits at the Library during the months of November & December.



# Kids' Page



## **Start the New Year a Winner!**

**Tuesday, Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
Meeting room B - 1<sup>st</sup> floor**

Kids from kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Join your favorite library staff for an afternoon of lively game-playing at the Rawlings Library. Have a blast. Win prizes. Fun for all. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (719) 562-5603.



Pueblo City-County Library District promotes Pueblo Transit Center's "Try Transit Week" at the Rawlings Public Library in November.

# Satellite Libraries celebrating 20 years of service

**Saturday, Jan. 24**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**

Satellite Saturday is back and we're celebrating it with a party! Join us as we commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> year of Satellite Libraries. We will take a look back at how the Pueblo City-County Library District began serving our community with the Bookmobile, as well as take a look forward to what's planned for the future with Books a la Carte in 2009.

This Satellite Saturday will have plenty of fun activities throughout the building including movies in the InfoZone, a Risley Jazz Band performance, and an event in our Nuestra Biblioteca section. Wilbur the 300 lbs pot-bellied pig will also be walking around the first floor of the library for all to see and kids can read to live reading dogs! This event is free and open to the public. For more information please contact Cathy Fox at (719) 948-2551



Members of Risley's Jazz Band perform at a past Satellite Saturday event.



Wilbur the pot-bellied pig is always a Satellite favorite!



People check out the display at a Satellite Saturday event held at the Rawlings Public Library in January 2008.

## Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center

Do you enjoy staying warm in the house with your favorite hobbies and crafts when the cold weather comes or do you prefer to do outdoor activities? The library has just added a resource called "Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center" that includes detailed "how-to" instructions, patterns for things to make, articles about hobbies, how-to videos and much, much more for inside and outside hobbies. From crochet, needlework, quilting and soap making to bird-watching, kayaking, hiking and bungee jumping – there is something here for everyone.

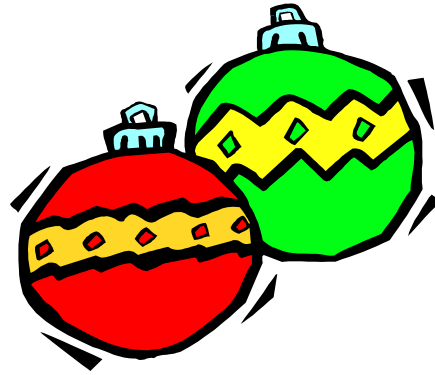
To access this helpful resource, go to the library's website [www.pueblolibrary.org](http://www.pueblolibrary.org), click on "Online Resources," Click on "Hobbies & Crafts" and then click on "Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center." If using this resource from outside of the library, you will need to enter your library card number when asked for it.

# Teen Scene

## Making Christmas Ornaments

Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 3:30 p.m.  
Barkman Library  
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Bring a friend and make a satin ball ornament for your Christmas tree. Munch on cookies and drink hot chocolate while you craft. For more information, call 562-5680.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2008 SCARY STORY CONTEST WINNERS!

### Second grade

Jeremiah Arellano  
Juliet Chi  
Macey Pace

### Third grade

Christopher Garcia  
Isaiah Garcia  
Chelsea Greenway  
Branden Hankins  
Teagan Hurley  
Lainee Jones  
Kade Lee  
Eric Pumphrey  
Thea Rodriguez  
Josh Trujillo

### Fourth grade

Peyton Baker  
Julie Bellew  
Antonio Cesario  
Becca Egan  
Gabby Engle  
Skyler Gutierrez  
Owen Hackler  
Yesenia Reyna  
Sarah Schornack

### Fifth grade

Sarah Brown  
Carah Christie  
Freddie Juan  
Gallegos  
Angela Nelson  
Bryson Pacheco  
Wyatt Thomas  
Bailey Trevithick  
Melissa Waggener  
Curtis Wells

### Sixth grade

Nick Fesmire  
Luke Hawk  
Reygan Hochevar  
Ryan McFarlin  
Marissa Mares  
Duncan Matthew  
Christopher Nix  
Larissa Sanchez  
Ashly A. Smith

### Seventh grade

Alec Bond  
Dylan Ford  
Nicholas Hill  
Miranda Johnson

Dominic Moya  
Gabrielle Potter  
Lexi Sandoval  
Carly White

### Eighth grade

Ally Darrow  
Rhea Lynzel Henry  
Ellen Skay

### High School

Steven Strauss  
Cynthia Trevizo

### Adult

Cynthia Ortiz  
Fuentes



The 2008 Scary Story Contest winners.



# Write a Discovery Story

## Youth Writing Contest For students in grades 3-12

Entry forms with complete rules are available at all library locations.

The Friends of the Pueblo City-County Library District invite students in grades 3-12 to enter a discovery short-story writing contest. Entries will be judged in the following categories: 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> grade, 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

It can be a ...

- Medical discovery
- Scientific discovery
- Exploration of outer space
- Historical discovery
- Discovery of a previously unknown archeological site
- Discovery that solves a mystery
- ?????



**The opening paragraph of the story must contain this exact phrase:**

**“Something more exciting than could be imagined!”**

**Each story must contain the following words anywhere in the story exactly as given (for example “wrinkle” but not “wrinkled”):**

**obvious      compatible      characteristics  
exactly      future      beneficial**

**Any entry not containing the above phrase and all six words, underlined or bolded for easy identification, will be disqualified.**

If you have any questions, or need more information, contact: Doris Kester at (719) 546-6677.

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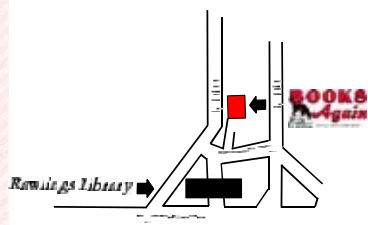
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## **Computer Tutoring Available**

A computer tutor will be available to assist with special projects and individual computer instruction on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rawlings Library in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor training room and Mondays from 5 to 7 p.m. beginning Nov 10. Please sign up at the reference desk on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Walk-ins are welcome if space is available after those who have registered are seated. Please call (719) 562-5601 for more information.



## **Trustee Talk by Jim Stuart**

It has been amazing to me to watch the transformation of libraries from the sort of dusty book depositories of my youth in the forties and early fifties to the cutting edge community centers of our new century. Earlier this year I attended the Public Library Association Convention in Minneapolis and what an eye-opener that was. I attended lots of workshops on many aspects of library science. And, at each and every one of them I was impressed with the way in which the moderators and attendees were examining everything they do in an effort to find better and new ways to meet the public needs. No subject was sacred to these folks or above critical examination. Everything from trying to decide if they should scrap the duodecimal system to checking out books with radio frequency markers to make checking out materials so easy about all you have to do is walk out of the building with them, were discussed in detail. During all these seminars I did a mental grading of our own Library system as to how it measured up to the many changes going on in the library world. In my opinion we came out very good, somewhere in the top 15%.

This is an industry, I am from the business world so I like to use words like “industry”, that has been reinventing itself at an ever increasing rate and doing so to the benefit of the public. Books remain the backbone of what we do, and I expect that will remain true for many years to come, but I would guess that about half of the people that enter our doors these days do so for some reason other than checking out a book.

In closing I would like to say a final word about the citizens of Pueblo and their respect for, and support of, our Library District. Time and again I speak to people from outside our community who are absolutely amazed at our huge, beautiful Rawlings Library and the quality of the entire library district. They say things like “Wow, this really shows how much your community values education and supports your library’s mission”. I think this level of per capita support is unparalleled in any other community in Colorado and perhaps the nation. I hope you all are as proud of this as I am.

## **Friends of the Library president's corner**

**by Jim Stuart**

**S**ales at Books Again in October set a new record at \$12,247. Our previous highest month was October of 2005 at \$10,549. So, we broke our record by almost \$1,700. And, since our total 2008 sales through October are only a few thousand dollars short of our total for the entire 2007 sales we are sure to surpass last year sales and set a new annual sales record. The word is getting out that you don't have to pay high prices for good books if you shop Books Again. Plus, I think the new outreach advertising spearheaded by Connie Converse and Melanie Tappen have also added to sales.

I think I have mentioned this before but I am going to bring it up again. We are going to lose four highly involved members of the Friends Board next year. These terrific

hard working folks are term limited and will have to be replaced when their terms end on April 30, 2009. We are looking for some dedicated people who have a deep interest in the Library, our Book Store and the Friends, to replace them. If you might be interested or know of someone who would make good candidates, please contact me personally at 544-2435 or applications can be picked-up at Books Again. We are an organization that gets a lot done and helps our Library District on many levels, which in turn makes serving on our Board very gratifying. We are in need of fresh dedicated leadership on our Board, don't put it off, contact us now.



## **Graciousness, thy Name is Diann**

**by Edna Shoaf**

Can you say lovely and enthusiastic? How about dedicated, energetic, and excited? Surely you can handle intense and animated! How else does one describe the supervisor of Lamb Public Library? Perhaps empathetic or knowledgeable, and don't forget well-educated, kind, and highly motivated, I was so impressed with Diann Logie, when I was visiting last month in order to prepare an article on Lamb, that I decided to return and really try to determine what makes this elegant lady so impressive. I was awe-struck, and at the end of our interview I was flying high. Just being with Diann is an energizing experience!

This terrific lady considers herself almost a native of our fair city, but she was actually born in Taos, New Mexico. Diann has five brothers and four sisters, and when her father passed away when she was nine, her mother decided to move to Pueblo in order to raise her family in a small town atmosphere. So, Diann went through school here and graduated from Central High School.

After graduation, Diann went to what was then USC in Pueblo and majored in, of all things, Automotive with a minor in Business Administration. She met her husband-to-be in classes there. Her husband then went to Alabama to flight school to become a helicopter pilot. Diann worked for Ford Motor Co. in Houston during this time. Because of her passion for books and education, she received her Master's degree in Library Science from Central University of North Carolina in Raleigh-Durham. Unfortunately her husband passed away in 1998, and she moved back to Pueblo.

Diann has never remarried, and she said that she doesn't even have a pet any more since her Black Lab

died a few years ago. However, she remains extremely close to her mother, who she describes as, "--- the love of my life, and she is a phenomenal mother." She would have to be a super mother to have raised such a special daughter.

As I visited with Diann, she leaned across the desk, never breaking eye contact with me; her hands moved constantly; and her dark eyes sparkled as she spoke. She said that her job is the most wonderful thing that has happened for her. "People search their entire life to find where they belong, and I have found it. When you make a difference with children, it is wonderful!"

When Diann first moved back to Pueblo, she said it took her two years to find a job. She started in Rawlins as a full time Children's Librarian in 2001. This was when the library was still housed downtown while the new library was being built. She used a lot of hand puppets, which she bought herself in order to keep them. She still today does story time with the children. That is one thing she misses by being an administrator - spending all her time with the clientele of the library. But she finds time to visit with parents and grandparents, to listen to their problems, to admire new babies or offer condolences when someone loses a family member.

Diann stated that she has a wonderful staff, and they all are dedicated to making Lamb a library where everyone in the community feels welcome. I hope that you readers who frequent Lamb understand just how fortunate you are to have this lovely lady as the director of your library. Many thanks, Diann, for a wonderful, exciting hour, and thank you for making my day! Happy Holidays to you and all your staff!

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## Creede Repertory Theatre draws huge crowd



The crowd watches a performance of Grimm Pajamas.

The McClelland School and InfoZone Theatre partnered to present a performance of *Grimm Pajamas* in Pueblo. The play drew a standing-room only crowd of more than 100 people interested in the inventive show performed by the acclaimed Creede Repertory Theatre. The production is an original show written by Jeff Carey and Jessica Jackson. It is making its way though Colorado and New Mexico.