

Library

PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY

news & events

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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.

Library @ the Y
553-0102 (call for hours)
3200 Spaulding

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

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

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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PCCLD launches new online services!

Pueblo City-County Library is pleased to offer two new services through the library's website at www.pueblolibrary.org. Pueblo County residents can now sign up for a PCCLD library card and pay overdue fines via the Internet.

How to sign up for a new library card online

By following the easy instructions at www.pueblolibrary.org, customers will be issued a temporary library card. Customers will have immediate access to place holds for desired books and movies.

Within 24 hours, customers will have access to the library's remotely accessible online resources, including databases and downloadable audiobooks. Customers who wish to check out materials from a library location will be asked to upgrade to a permanent library card. Just bring a picture ID and proof of your current address to any location to upgrade your card!

Go to www.pueblolibrary.org. The link to register is located on the home page under "My Account." Click on "New to the Library? Click here to register online."

How to make online payments

PCCLD now offers online payment of library fines and fees using Paypal or your credit card.

Pay your bill from home, from the library's Internet stations, or at a Catalog computer in the library, by following these instructions:

1. Log in to your library account by clicking "My Account" on the library's homepage.
2. Click Review My Account and enter your library card number and PIN.
3. Click Display User Information. Bills are displayed below current checkouts.
4. Click Pay Bills at the bottom of the screen and follow payment instructions to pay with credit card or PayPal account.

The minimum payment is \$5. Customers may choose to pay a single bill that is greater than the minimum payment, or may pay their entire balance. (They cannot choose to pay specific bills).

If your account was blocked, you can restore access immediately by paying your bill online. If you have questions about your library fines or fees, call the Rawlings Library Circulation Department at 562-5621, option 2.



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Events Calendar Dec. 2010

1 Wednesday

- **Mother Goose**
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Storytimes**
Barkman 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **After School Book Break**
Rawlings 4 p.m.

2 Thursday

- **Preschool Storytime**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Anime Club**
Pueblo West 6 p.m.
- **Mother Goose**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Thursday night holiday movies**
National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation
(PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

3 Friday

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

4 Saturday

- **Teen Anime Fair**
Pueblo West 1 p.m.
- **Matinee Movie: *Toy Story 3*** (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

5 Sunday

- **Matinee Movie: *Toy Story 3*** (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.

6 Monday

- **Mother Goose**
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Pueblo Storytellers**
Rawlings 1 p.m.
Thurston Room - 1st floor
- **Barkman Book discussion group**
Holiday Potluck: Any Holiday book
Barkman 7 p.m.

7 Tuesday

- **Bright Beginnings**
Pueblo West 9:30 a.m.
- **Time for Tots**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.

8 Wednesday

- **Mother Goose**
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Storytimes**
Barkman 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **After School Book Break**
Rawlings 4 p.m.



Developing the Whole Collection by Jon Walker

The use of library materials has never been greater. The number of books and other items checked out from the Pueblo City-County Library District is increasing at a rate of 17% in this year alone. Use has increased 65% in the last five years. Why are we so popular?

Certainly, the number of new items on our shelves is part of the story. We have focused in recent years on doing a better job of selecting new materials that people want to use, and this, undoubtedly, is showing up in the increasing volume of business we continue to experience. In each of the past several years, for example, we have budgeted a moderate but steady increase in expenditures on fresh materials. We also improved our procedures for selecting new items a few years ago, and this positive change has contributed to the growth in business. We are pleased with this progress. However, we can do even better.

One area where we can improve is in what librarians refer to as de-selection of library materials. Just as it is important to procure new items which meet the reading, listening, and viewing needs of our community, so, too, is it key to remove materials from the collection when they are no longer useful. A good library focuses attention on this aspect of building an excellent collection, and should have procedures in place to regularly and systematically cull items that are no longer desirable. Items that are out-of-date, worn out, or no longer used should be regularly and consistently considered for withdrawal from the collection.

Librarians commonly refer to this process as “weeding.” Just as a well-weeded garden will produce better flowers and vegetables, so, too, will a well-weeded library collection produce better results for customers, including increased usage.

S.R. Ranganathan, the notable twentieth-century librarian and mathematician, stated in his famous “Five Laws of Library

Science” that “Books are for use” and “The library is a growing organism.” Ranganathan understood that libraries are not so much about storing materials as they are about promoting their use. He also taught us that libraries evolve and change to insure the materials within the collection are those that are advantageous to people. Part of Ranganathan’s viewpoint certainly included insuring the library’s collection is regularly pruned of deadwood in order to promote a healthier collection.

Will Manley, a well-known contemporary librarian, also appreciated this value when he wrote: “Next to emptying the outdoor bookdrop on cold and snowy days, weeding is the most undesirable job in the library. It is also one of the most important. Collections that go unweeded tend to be cluttered, unattractive, and unreliable informational resources.”

De-selecting materials from the library has many benefits. It saves space. It saves time for customers, as shelves crowded with old and unused materials are a clutter, not a positive. By carefully weeding, we make the collection more appealing. Use increases simply by making the shelves more customer friendly and attractive, even when there are actually fewer items. We also improve the library’s reputation for reliability, authority, and currency. People expect library materials are carefully selected and the information is up-to-date and reliable.

We have set objectives for ourselves at the Pueblo City-County Library District to improve our de-selection efforts. Unfortunately, this is an area we have neglected in recent years. But it is not too late. It is better to start now, than to never start at all. So, we are establishing these procedures now and will be implementing them in the coming months. This effort will make our library even better than it is today.

You can reach Pueblo City-County Library District’s Executive Director, Jon Walker, by calling 562-5633 or emailing jon.walker@pueblolibrary.org.

Books & beyond @ your library

Dec. 2010



Library supporters enjoy the All Pueblo Reads kickoff reception and Ed Posa Art Show/Sale at the Pueblo West Library.



Guests view Ed Posa's artwork in the Vectra Gallery.



Ed Posa talks about his artwork during the All Pueblo Reads kickoff reception at the Pueblo West Library.



A girl decorates her sugar skull at the Rawlings Library.



Dia de los Muertos procession on Union Avenue.



Painted faces are a traditional part of Dia de los Muertos.



A performer awaits her turn to dance at the library.



A procession marches from Rawlings Library to El Pueblo Museum.

9 Thursday

- **Preschool Storytime**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Teen Scene: Let's Make Gifts**
Pueblo West 7 p.m.
- **Thursday night holiday movies**
It's a Wonderful Life (1946) (NR)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

10 Friday

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

11 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie:**
The Search for Santa Paws (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

12 Sunday

- **Matinee Movie:**
The Search for Santa Paws (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

13 Monday

- **Mother Goose**
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Pueblo Storytellers**
Rawlings 1 p.m.
Thurston Room - 1st fl.
- **Community Cinema**
The Calling
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

14 Tuesday

- **Bright Beginnings**
Pueblo West 9:30 a.m.
- **Time for Tots**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Winter Wonderland**
Pueblo West 2:30 p.m.
- **Teen Scene: Christmas Tree Ornament**
Barkman 3:30 p.m.
- **Consuming Kids: The Commercialization of Childhood**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Teen Scene: Fuse Bead Art**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
Bret Kelly room - 1st floor
- **Wonderful Winter Family Storytime**
Pueblo West 7 p.m.
- **Teen Scene: A little glitter**
Lamb 7 p.m.

15 Wednesday

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

Dec. 2010

- After School Book Break
Rawlings 4 p.m.

16 Thursday

- Preschool Storytime
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Mother Goose
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- Anime Club
Pueblo West 6 p.m.
- Thursday night holiday movies
Merry Christmas (Joyeux Noel)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

17 Friday

- Mother Goose
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

18 Saturday

- Matinee Movie:
A Christmas Carol
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- Kids Corner: Tis the Season
Lamb 2 p.m.
- Independent film series: *The Wind Journeys* (NR)
Rawlings 7 pm.
InfoZone - 4th floor

19 Sunday

- The Rawlings Library is closed.

20 Monday

- Christmas break movies - *Ernest Saves Christmas*
Rawlings 10 a.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- Pueblo Storytellers
Rawlings 1 p.m.
Thurston Room - 1st fl.
- Christmas break movies
Ernest Saves Christmas (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

21 Tuesday

- Christmas break movies
All Dogs Christmas Carol (G)
Rawlings 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- Book to a Movie
Charlie St. Cloud
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

22 Wednesday

- Christmas break movies - *Merry Madagascar*
Rawlings 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- Teen movie night
The Twilight Saga Eclipse (PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Barkman book-discussion group

Holiday Potluck: Any Holiday book
Monday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m.
Barkman Library

Read a Christmas book of your choosing and come discuss it with the group. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 562-5680.

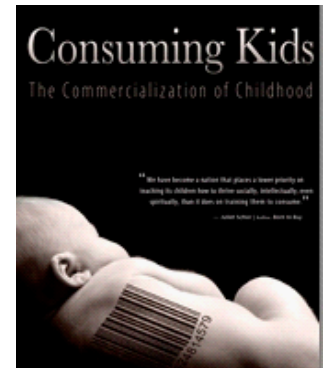
Next Discussion:

Island Beneath the Sea by Isabella Allende
Monday, Jan. 3 at 7 p.m.

Consuming Kids: The Commercialization of Childhood

Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ InfoZone

This brand new and critically acclaimed film sheds light on the practices of a relentless multi-billion dollar marketing machine that's selling kids everything from junk food to violent video games. *Consuming Kids* will change the way you think about childhood in the 21st century. The screening is free and open to the public and sponsored by Colorado State University Extension.



Book to a Movie

Charlie St. Cloud (R) based on the book by Ben Sherwood
Tuesday, Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ InfoZone Theatre, 4th floor

In a snug New England fishing village, Charlie St. Cloud tends the lawns and monuments of an ancient cemetery where his younger brother, Sam, is buried. After surviving the car accident that claimed his brother's life, Charlie is graced with an extraordinary gift: He can see, talk to, and even play catch with Sam's spirit. Into this magical world comes Tess Carroll, a captivating woman training for a solo sailing trip around the globe. Fate steers her boat into a treacherous storm that propels her into Charlie's life. Their beautiful and uncommon connection leads to a race against time and a choice between death and life, between the past and the future, between holding on and letting go — and the discovery that miracles can happen if we simply open our hearts. This event is free and open to the public. Covered drinks are allowed, but food is not. For more information, call 553-0205.



English as a Second Language class

English as a Second Language classes will be held at the Rawlings Library from Jan. 11 through March 4. Please call 553-0234 for more information.



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Barkman, Lamb, Pueblo West, Rawlings & Library @ the Y libraries will be closed Sunday, Dec. 19, Friday, Dec. 24 & Saturday, Dec. 25 for Christmas. All libraries will be closed Sunday, Dec. 26. Additionally, all libraries will be closed Saturday, Jan. 1 for New Year's Day.

Playing this month @ your library

Matinee movies @ the InfoZone

December is a perfect month to come and watch a movie at the InfoZone! 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 at the Rawlings Library. All movies are free!

Toy Story 3 (G)
Saturday, Dec. 4 &
Sunday, Dec. 5 at 2 p.m.

The Search for Santa Paws (G)
Saturday, Dec. 11 &
Sunday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m.

A Christmas Carol (PG)
Saturday, Dec. 18 at 2 p.m.

Christmas Break Movies
Ernest Saves Christmas (PG)
Monday, Dec. 20 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

All Dogs Christmas Carol (G)
Tuesday, Dec. 21 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Merry Madagascar (PG)
Wednesday, Dec. 22 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Nine Dogs Christmas (PG)
Thursday, Dec. 23 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG)
Monday, Dec. 27 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

No Movie -The Snow Show Party
Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 2 p.m.

101 Dalmatians
Wednesday, Dec. 29 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Space Chimps (G)
Thursday, Dec. 30 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Cine Mexicano

The Golden Age of Mexican Cinema
Quando Horan los valientes (Tears of the Brave) (NR)
Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ InfoZone

Romance, drama and adventure abound in the story of Agapito, whose desire to adopt an orphan boy is thwarted by a jealous woman, the arrival of the Federales and a tragic shooting.

Holiday movies

Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ InfoZone

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (PG-13), Dec. 2

It's a Wonderful Life ('46) (NR), Dec. 9

Merry Christmas (Joyeux Noel) (PG-13), Dec. 16

Miracle on 34th Street (NR), Dec. 23

The Christmas Card (NR), Dec. 30

Independent film

The Wind Journeys (NR)
Drama - Colombia, Germany, Argentina, Netherlands in Spanish with English subtitles
Saturday, Dec. 18 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Library
InfoZone Theatre, 4th floor

For most of his life, Ignacio Carrillo travelled the villages of northern Colombia, playing traditional songs on his accordion, a legendary instrument said to have once belonged to the devil. He eventually married and settled in a small town, leaving the nomadic life behind. But after the traumatic death of his wife, he vows to never play the accursed accordion again, and embarks on one last journey to return the instrument to its rightful owner. The film is free, and seating is first-come, first-served. For more information, call 562-5604.

Community Cinema

The Calling (NR)
Monday, Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ InfoZone

The Calling is a one hour look into the four-hour documentary series that follows seven Muslims, Catholics, Evangelical Christians and Jews on a dramatic journey — training to become professional clergy. *The Calling* takes viewers into the unknown world of seminaries, telling compelling personal stories of faith. This movie is sponsored by Rocky Mountain PBS-KTSC.

Dec. 2010

23 Thursday

- Christmas break movies
Nine Dogs Christmas
Rawlings 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- Thursday night holiday movies
Miracle on 34th Street (NR)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

24 Friday

- All libraries are closed for Christmas Eve.

25 Saturday

- All libraries are closed for Christmas Day.

26 Sunday

- The Rawlings library is closed.

27 Monday

- Storytellers are on vacation until Jan. 3.
- Christmas break movies - **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs**
Rawlings 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- Pueblo Storytellers
Rawlings 1 p.m.
Thurston Room - 1st fl.

28 Tuesday

- The Snow Show Party
Barkman 11 a.m.
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- Family movies
Toy Story 3
Pueblo West 3 p.m.
- Cine Mexicano
Quando Horan los valientes (Tears of the Brave) (NR)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

29 Wednesday

- Storytellers are on vacation until Jan. 3.
- Christmas break movies
101 Dalmatians (G)
Rawlings 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- Family movies
The Last Airbender
Pueblo West 3 p.m.

30 Thursday

- Christmas break movies
Space Chimps (G)
Rawlings 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- The Snow Show Party
Pueblo West 11 a.m.
Lamb 2 p.m.
- Thursday night holiday movies
The Christmas Card (NR)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

31 Friday

Jan. 1 Saturday

- All libraries are closed for New Years Eve.

Do you have a tale to tell? Join Pueblo Storytellers

**Mondays, Dec. 6, 13, 20 & 27 at 1 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ Thurston Room**

It's not too late to join our Storytellers group. Perfect your storytelling skills or just come to listen. Everyone is welcome at the free, public event.

Piano Marvel tutor available at Pueblo West

PCCLD now offers a program to learn piano and have great fun while doing so! Piano Marvel is available now at Pueblo West Library. Piano Marvel combines computer, keyboard and the Internet in a way that's fun and educational. Christine will be available for tutoring on Tuesday, Thursday & Friday mornings. To register please call 562-5664 or stop by the desk. For more information please call Chris Brown at (719) 251-9459.

Red, white and blue flies high at Rawlings Library

A dedication of the new flag and flagpole at the Rawlings Library was held on Saturday, Nov. 6 as part of the Veterans' Day festivities. Publisher Robert Hoag Rawlings and Gary's Crane Service provided donations to make the outdoor flag a reality. Soldiers from Fort Carson presented the colors. The flagpole was formerly housed at the Pueblo Police Department.



A new flag and pole was donated by Robert Hoag Rawlings and Gary's Crane Service, and was dedicated on Nov. 6 in conjunction with Veterans' Day.



Publisher Robert Hoag Rawlings addresses the crowd.



The flag is raised over the library's courtyard.



Soldiers from Fort Carson present the colors.

Check out the library's great online resources!

UniversalClass courses:

Homeschooling Parents – want to learn about an online resource that can help you with homeschooling?

Here are some of the subject areas included in UniversalClass' "Homeschooling Resources" - each subject area includes 10-40 courses: Algebra & Math Studies, Art, Disruptive Behaviors, General Science, Homeschooling Strategies, Literature, Writing Improvement & more. Each course is self-paced and offers lessons, assignments & tests to be done when it is convenient for you, as well as opportunities to connect with the instructor and other students in the class through chat & email. You have six months to complete each course. Courses in UniversalClass are available at no charge through the library's subscription for Pueblo County residents with PCCLD library cards. To register for courses, you must be 13 or older—if you wish to use a course with a younger student, you will need to register for the course and assist with the coursework.

Want to change the look of your home?

Enroll now in "Interior Decorating Made Simple" - one of the over 500 continuing education courses offered by the library through UniversalClass. In this self-paced course, you'll learn the principles of design -- color, texture, scale & balance and how to apply them to any room or a whole house. Even if you're not a born decorator, this course will help you gain confidence in the development of your personal style. Best of all you can take the class online when and where it's most convenient for your schedule.

If you love to read great mysteries and have often thought you could write one...

Sign up for Mystery Writing 101—one of the over 500 continuing education courses offered by the Pueblo City-County Library District through UniversalClass. For new, aspiring writers — become the mystery writer you have always wanted to be! And for seasoned writers looking to expand their horizons —We'll help strengthen your writing abilities with this very informative course.

Want to rid your home or office of clutter?

Take "Clutter Control 101" - one of the over 500 continuing education courses offered by the library through UniversalClass. Put an end to your misery once and for all! This is the best time and place to start dealing with your clutter. This self-paced course will motivate you to organize your home, desk and/or home office by providing lots of helpful tips, resources and practices.

Register for UniversalClass on the library's website—www.pueblolibrary.org. Click "Online Tools," click "Online Resources," then click "UniversalClass." Click "Register Now" & register using your library card# as your username. Search for & select the course you wish to take and click "Join This Course."

Do you enjoy rich suspense, intertwined characters & thickened plots?

Sign up for our Mystery Email Book Club and each day, Monday through Friday, you'll receive an email with a portion of a new mystery book that takes about five minutes to read. During the week you'll be able read the first 2-3 chapters in your email and then you can decide if you want to check out the book to find out whodunit. Each week a new mystery book will be featured. Sign-up at www.DearReader.com. Click "Join Book Clubs" at the top & then follow the easy instructions to sign up.

Learn a new language with Byki Online

Byki, short for "Before You Know It," is a rapid language learning system that takes you through a series of simple steps to memorize words and phrases in a new language, including their meanings and proper pronunciation. You can access the 80+ languages from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Byki Online has recently added some features you don't want to miss, including: grammar lessons for 52 of the 80+ languages, a new conversation interface currently available for 5 languages with more on the way and Byki® Mobile, which allows you to take your language learning "on the go" with an Apple® iPad™, iPhone™ or iPod™ touch.

Visit the library's website to access: www.pueblolibrary.org. Click on "Online Resources," click on "Language Learning," click on "byki Online." You will need to create a user account with your library card # as your Username.

Free Computer Skills Tutorials - All you need is access to the Internet and your library card!

Do you need to learn to use Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint or other computer programs? With LearningExpress Library you can learn at your own pace with interactive tutorial courses on today's most popular software and operating systems. Each course offers detailed, easy-to-follow instructions with audio and captions as well as different skill levels – if you want to listen to the audio in the library, you will need to bring a pair of headphones.

Go to the library's website, click on "Online Tools," click on "Online Resources," click on "Job Skills" and then click on LearningExpress Library. You will need to create an account on LearningExpress Library using your library card number as your username.

Kids' Page

After School Book Break

Wednesdays, Dec. 1, 8, & 15 at 4 p.m.
Rawlings Library

Join us for a fun filled read aloud story time and activity recommended for grades K-2. For more information, please call 562-5603.

Bright Beginnings

Tuesdays, Dec. 7 & 14
from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Pueblo West Library

Bright Beginnings Outreach will be in the childrens area to provide literacy-promoting materials and information to parents of children ages 0-4. For more information, please call 562-5660.

Winter Wonderland

An event for homeschooled students & their parents
Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 2:30 p.m.
Pueblo West Library
King Conference Room

Participate in winter activities and games with other homeschooled students. Stations will be available for all ages, from young children to teens. Call 562-5660 for more information.

Family Movies

Toy Story 3
Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 3 pm

The Last Airbender
Wednesday, Dec. 29 at 3 pm

Pueblo West Library
King Room B

Come to the Pueblo West Library to enjoy two family movies in December. For more information, please call 562-5660.

Wonderful Winter Family Storytime

Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.
Pueblo West Library

Let's make snowflakes and ornaments, read books and celebrate being warm on the inside, when it is so very cold outside. Call 562-5660 for more information.

Kids Corner: 'Tis the Season!

Saturday, Dec. 18 at 2 p.m.
Lamb Library

Join us for a Christmas craft, fun for the whole family! All materials are provided and everyone is welcome to come and go at anytime. Call 562-5670 for more information.

The Snow Show Party

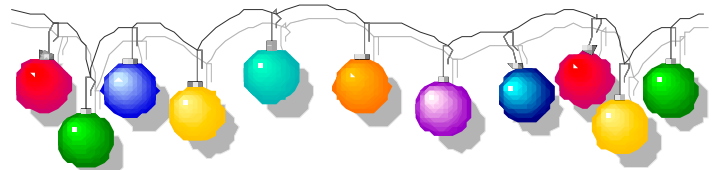
Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 11 a.m.
Barkman Library

Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 2 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ Storytelling Ear

Thursday, Dec. 30 at 11 a.m.
Pueblo West Library

Thursday, Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.
Lamb Library

Join Snow Woman (performer Denise Gard) for humorous stories and tasty cookies the entire family will enjoy.



**Storytellers are on vacation Dec. 20 - Jan. 2. Plan to attend
The Snow Show Party at your library Dec. 28 and 30.
Storytimes will resume on Monday, Jan. 3.**

Teen Scene

Let's make gifts!

**Thursday, Dec. 9
at 7 p.m.
Pueblo West Library**



One of the best thing about the holidays is giving gifts. Come and create holiday gifts to give to your friends and family. Please call 562-5660 for more information.

Fuse Bead Art

**Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ Bret
Kelly Room**



Need a quick holiday stocking-stuffer for a friend or family member? Make a fuse bead art project on Tuesday, Dec. 14. Mix and match colors to make a perfect present. Call 562-5603 for more information.

Christmas Tree Ornament

**Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 3:30 p.m.
Barkman Library**

Come to our Christmas tree ornament workshop. We will make a few ornaments, drink hot chocolate, and munch on Christmas cookies. Call 562-5680 for more information.



Teen movie nights

**The Twilight Saga Eclipse (PG-13)
Wednesday, Dec. 22 at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library ~ InfoZone Theatre**

It all begins... with a choice. In the third chapter of Stephenie Meyer's phenomenal Twilight series, Bella Swan is surrounded by danger as Seattle is hit by a string of murders and an evil vampire continues her quest for revenge. In the midst of it all, Bella is forced to choose between her love, Edward Cullen, and her friend, Jacob Black—knowing that her decision may ignite the ageless struggle between vampire and werewolf. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are. For more information, please call 562-5604.



Anime Clubs

**Thursdays, Dec. 2 & 16 at 6 p.m.
Pueblo West Library**

For Anime fans, 6th grade and up. Come hang out and enjoy some of the best Japanese cartoons on the big screen! Call 562-5660 to find out more.

**Teen Anime Fair
Saturday, Dec. 4 at 1 p.m.
Pueblo West Library**

The Pueblo City-County Library is ready to celebrate all things anime and manga on Saturday, December 4, 2010 at the Pueblo West Library. Come in costume as your favorite character and you could win a prize!

Enjoy a variety of Japanese food, games, and activities. Have some manga you want to trade? Bring it to the library and find something new to read! Whether new to anime/manga or an old pro, come prepared to have fun and experience something new and exciting about anime. Konnichiwa, Pueblo!

A little glitter

**Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.
Lamb Library**

Paint, glue, stick, color, sprinkle the sparkles and craft your own Christmas tree Bulb for the Holiday Season. A great decoration to hang on your own tree or to give away as a gift! All materials are provided and everyone is welcome to come and go at anytime. Please call 562-5670 for more information.

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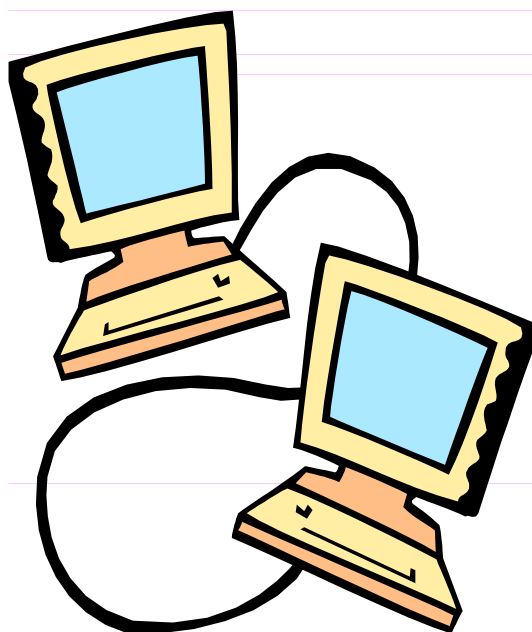
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Computer tutor available

Computer Tutor: A computer tutor is available at Rawlings Library for help Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the information desk on the 2nd floor.

Pueblo West Library now offers computer assistance: A computer tutor will be available on Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. until noon.

Friends of the Library president's corner **by Annette Warfield**



It's hard to believe we are in the final month of 2010! As the holidays approach, this is a great time to de-clutter your bookshelves and bring your donations to Books Again. Books Again is taking donations and will welcome any titles you would like to contribute to the store.

Don't forget to shop Books Again for all the names on your gift list. There is a wonderful selection for all ages and interests and holiday books are 50% off for the month of December. This includes everything from cookbooks to romance. Gift certificates are also available. Remember, think Books Again when you de-clutter; and think Books Again when you are out shopping.

Friends will recognize winners of the creative writing contest on December 2 at 7 p.m. in the Ryals Room. This year's Youth Writing Contest was to write an adventure story. Only seven entries per teacher per school were accepted. There were 70 finalists in this year's contest. All final judging is done by the Friends' Writing Contest

Committee. Winners receive a gift certificate to Books Again, a Certificate of Merit and their story printed in a booklet. Congratulations to all winning recipients!

With the election complete, we can all relax knowing services and benefits of PCCLD will not be limited. Thank you for voting to keep our library the award winning library that it is. Thanks, too, to all the volunteers who worked so hard before the election. Your efforts are appreciated! Our wonderful library can attest to the fact that people of action can make a difference.

Currently FOL has 920 members! I'm still hoping to reach 1,000 members during my presidency. I think it can and will be done. Invite a friend to become a Friend. A membership of 1,000 will be an exciting achievement for FOL's 51st year. Thank you all for a very productive and fun 2010. I wish you all happy holidays.

In the Beginning.... by Edna Shoaf

A lady walked into Books Again the other day while I was in the front close to the front desk. She stopped suddenly and looked around as if she was lost, and then she began talking about the changes which she saw. She said she hadn't been in for a long time, so she had never seen the back room opened up like it is now. I took her on the grand tour, and she kept oohing and aahing and saying she couldn't believe how big and roomy the store is, and how many books there were, and on and on.

When the lady went on with her shopping, I stopped and took a good long look at the store, trying to see everything as if I had never been there before. I was totally startled because I have worked there for what seems ages and have grown accustomed to Books Again as it is now. That set me on a walk down memory lane to when I first became acquainted with the Pueblo Friends of the Library.

I moved to Pueblo in November of 2000 from Norman, Oklahoma, where I had been active in their Friends of the Library. When I saw an announcement in the newspaper about the big book sale coming soon at the University, I went over to see if I could volunteer to help. I met Jane Milne, the President of Friends, and she immediately put me to work placing books on the long tables that had been set up. I also helped with the sale itself, digging around among the boxes and boxes on the floor to keep the tables full. What a mad crush of people with bags and baby strollers and boxes of books everywhere! Then, of course, after the sale was over, the left-over books had to be boxed up and returned to the warehouse. Jane asked me why I didn't apply to join the Friends Board; I did and was accepted as a member. I also found out that Margaret Benz was the person volunteering to box up all those huge mounds of books in the warehouse to get them ready for the once-a-year sale. During my six years on the board, discussions began about having a used book store over in

the warehouse that could be open all year. Bud Benz did lots of feasibility studies about the population of Pueblo and the users of the library, and he presented a good argument about how successful he thought a book store could be.

And so it began, with Bud and Margaret and several other board members working long hard hours to get shelves up, finding a cash register, setting a price for renting the space from the library, installing different lighting, putting in a telephone, finding space in the back room for sorting, and gradually making sense out of all those books piled in boxes reaching almost to the ceiling. What a job! But it began to take shape, and in the summer of 2005, the Principles for Operation of the Friends Used Bookstore were put into place under the direction of a Managing Group consisting of Bud and Margaret Benz, Jim Stuart, Barbara Tuttoilmondo, Mario Aguilera, Jeanne Gardner, Dick Moran, and John Tappen, with Bud as Store Manager.

In July of 2005 Books Again opened its doors. The Managing Group had estimated gross sales for the first year of \$36,000 and the second year of \$45,000. What actually happened was that from July to December the gross sales were \$37,543.36. And the full year of 2006 had gross sales of \$58,147.07. The rest, as the saying goes, is history. Many changes have occurred, volunteers have come and gone, but the major emphasis behind the store has never changed: to provide Pueblo with a used book store, manned by all volunteers, which produces funds for all kinds of projects for the public library system. We have come a long way, baby, and I am proud to be one of the many volunteers who give of our time and our talents to provide such a lovely place for people to buy reading materials at budget prices. Therefore - a Very Merry Christmas from all of us at Books Again to you, the individuals who have made us so successful!

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Plains and Sky by Lynn Stenzel

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Artist Lynn Stenzel creates large landscape and skyscape paintings which capture the vast expanse of open plains heightened by the drama of an intense stormy sky. Acrylic paintings on canvas and original pastels on paper will be displayed. The images are dramatic, intense and yet serene.



Ranch House by Lynn Stenzel

Adult Literacy Classes coming in January!

Mark your calendars! The Rawlings Library will be offering its next Adult Literacy Class in January! This six-week program is for English speakers and English language learners (16+) who want to learn how to read. The dates are Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays Jan. 3 through Feb. 9, 2011 from 6 - 8 p.m. Please call 562-5601 for more information and to reserve your spot!

Friends of the Library Membership Form

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