

News & Events

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Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

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1 – 5 p.m.

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100 E. Abriendo Ave.

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1300 Jerry Murphy Road

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2525 South Pueblo Boulevard

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562-5660

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213 Hwy. 50 East

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4850 Crow Cut Off

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28881 Gale Road

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A record-breaking year by Jon Walker

The Pueblo City-County Library District enjoyed a great year of service to the community in 2006. There were several milestones along the way. Here are some highlights from the past year.

- Library customers checked out an all-time record 1,068,437 items, the third year of more than a million checkouts.
- 879,246 people visited Pueblo County public libraries, and 272,067 people logged onto library computers.
- Ciruli Associates' poll of county residents showed the library is the best public service agency in our community.
- PCCLD's Summer Reading Club was awarded first place by the Colorado Association of Libraries for the second year in a row, and the library was selected for a national study to measure the impact of summer reading programs on students.
- The district moved into the top 25% of libraries nationwide according to the 2006 Hennen American Public Library Rating. This is a 15% improvement in this ranking over the last two years.
- The 2nd Annual All Pueblo Reads in October featured S.E. Hinton's classic book *The Outsiders*. More than 1,300 people attended 30 events, and Hinton's books checked out more than 1,000 times.

• 39,052 people attended library events, a new all-time record. Events of note included the portrayal of Thomas Jefferson by National Public Radio star Clay Jenkinson, an election-night party co-sponsored with the League of Women Voters, and exhibits and activities on historical figure Zebulon Pike.

- 12,714 new library cards were issued.
- The new Rawlings Library's Hispanic Resource Center began taking shape with the hiring of librarian Rebekah Sanchez.
- Library employees, administration and Board of Trustees worked collaboratively to *Build a Winning Workplace*. The efforts were guided by an outside facilitator and included establishing an employee steering committee; working with outside consultants and legal experts to create and update appropriate, effective, consistent and complete personnel policies; hiring a human resources manager; investigating and resolving situations that violate policies, procedures and standards of fair, just, equitable and uniform professional conduct; developing effective, appropriate, multifaceted and multidisciplinary training programs for employees at all levels; and implementing clarified policies and procedures.

These are only some of the best news items of 2006 at the library. It was a busy and productive year, but the best is yet to come. We look forward to an even better 2007 and beyond.

Personally, it is a great pleasure for me to serve a community that is so supportive of libraries, literacy, and reading.

Jon Walker is the Executive Director of the Pueblo City-County Library District. He welcomes your feedback and may be reached by calling (719) 562-5625.

For more information about PCCLD's incredible year, please turn the page.

Check out more accomplishments from 2006:

Events Calendar February 2007

Youth and Teen Services

1 Thursday

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

2 Friday

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

3 Saturday

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

4 Sunday

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

5 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**
Rawlings 10 a.m.
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Literary Discussion Group**
Milagro Beanfield War
by John Nichols
Barkman 7 p.m.

6 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Rawlings Book Discussion**
Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything
by S. Levitt & S. Dubner
Rawlings 1:30 p.m.
Thurston Room - 1st Floor

7 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Lost @ the Library**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

- The summertime Books in the Park expanded to a third location, featuring library services at Minnequa Park, Mitchell Park and Central Park. In April, the Colorado City satellite library reopened in a new location and use there increased by 95.6% compared with the year before.

- The new Teen Central at the Rawlings Library—funded with a generous grant—began to take shape in 2006 with an opening celebration set for January 2007. PCCLD is pleased to expand services to younger patrons, and this attention is one reason the use of materials for young adults grew a whopping 47.8% to 24,744 checkouts in 2006 from 16,737 in 2005.



Reading Zoofari program during Summer Reading Club 2006.



Teen Advisory Board and Pueblo City-County Library Board of Trustees pose during the Teen Central grand opening.

Library Usage Trends

- Patrons are taking advantage of the convenience of placing holds on library materials with 46,184 holds filled in 2006, a 60% increase over 28,726 in 2005 .
- Newly published books are now listed in the library catalog as on-order from the publisher. Customers can go online to reserve recent releases even before they are on the shelf. We call or e-mail, when the book has arrived and is ready to be checked out.
- Customers are using interlibrary loan services in record numbers as borrowing and lending between our library and other libraries grew 19.5% to 4,923 items in 2006 from 4,116 in 2005.
- Free wireless Internet access became available at the Rawlings Library, and more than ten people on average log on every day.
- A four-month pilot program at the end of 2006 with new MP3 audiobooks —called PlayAways—was successful with each MP3 book checking out more than 6 times on average during a four-month period. This compares favorably with the average number of four checkouts for books on CD and cassette tape during the same period. PlayAways also costs less for the library to own than books on CD and cassette.
- Book deliveries to homebound patrons increased with 25.3% more deliveries in 2006 than the year before.



Library board president Joyce Vigil kicks off All Pueblo Reads 2006: *The Outsiders*.

.....just a few more fun facts!

- Library Outreach Services Coordinator Barbara Brown was selected as one of the *Library Journal's* Movers & Shakers.
- The InfoZone News Museum featured exhibits and displays on a variety of themes, such as Bridey Murphy, Smokey the Bear, and Pueblo Transportation; and in April the museum was honored with several awards by the Southern Colorado Press Club for its film *Celebrate Pueblo!*
- A campaign to expand the library in Pueblo West kicked off. By year's end about \$150,000 had been raised to help pay for the library, and preliminary architectural plans for a 22,000+ square foot library were in place. We hope to break ground in 2007.
- Some significant tweaks to improve services at the Rawlings Library included additional focus on self-service options for picking up holds and checking out, and more user-friendly layouts for magazines, music, audiobooks and fiction.

Thanks for your support in 2006!

February 2007

8 Thursday

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

9 Friday

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

10 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
The Wild (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Teen Scene - Gocks: Goth Sock Puppets**
Lamb 2:30 p.m.
- **Independent Film Title**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

11 Sunday

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

12 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**
Rawlings 10 a.m.
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Movie Screening**
Milagro Beanfield War
Barkman 6 p.m.
- **Movie Screening**
Tuskegee Airman
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

13 Tuesday

- **Computers 101**
White 8 - 10 a.m.
Space is limited, call (719) 562-5660 for reservations.
- **Time for Tots**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene: Make Duct Tape Roses & Pop-up Valentine Cards**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
Ryals Room - 4th Floor
This program is free and open to those in grades 6-12.

14 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene: Chocolate Fest**
White 7 p.m.
This program is free and open to those in grades 6-12.
- **Silver Screams**
The Body Snatcher
Rawlings 7 p.m.

February 2007

15 Thursday

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

16 Friday

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

17 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
The Muppet Movie (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Kids Korner Space Day**
White 2 p.m.
- **Independent Films**
Grey Gardens &
The Beales of Grey Gardens
Rawlings 6 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

18 Sunday

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

19 Monday

- **All Libraries are closed for President's Day**

20 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene: Come Celebrate Chinese New Year!**
Barkman 3:30 p.m.

21 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Grantseeking Basic for Nonprofits**
Rawlings 9:30 a.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
Call (719) 562-5626 for reservations for this free event.

22 Thursday

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

23 Friday

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

Library book-discussion groups

Barkman Literary Discussion

Milagro Beanfield War

by John Nichols

Discussion: February 5, 7 p.m.

Film: February 12, 6 p.m.

Barkman Branch Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Joe Mondragon slammed his battered pickup to a stop, tugged on his gumboots, and marched into the arid patch of ground. Carefully (and also illegally), he tapped into the main irrigation channel. And so began-though few knew it at the time-the Milagro beanfield war. Gradually, the small farmers and sheepmen begin to rally to Joe's beanfield as the symbol of their lost rights and their lost lands.

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

Rawlings Discussion Group

Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist

Explores the Hidden Side of Everything by S. Levitt & S. Dubner

February 6, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library
Thurston Room - 1st Floor
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Rawlings Discussion Group

The Devil in the White City

by Erik Larson

March 7, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library
Thurston Room - 1st Floor
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Bestselling author Larson strikes a fine balance between the planning and execution of a vast Chicago World's Fair of 1893 and H.H. Holmes's relentless, ghastly murders of between 27 and 200 people, mostly single young women at that time.

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

White Branch Book Club

The Ladies Auxiliary by Tova Mirvis

February 26, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

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

The public is welcome to join a new book club at the White Branch Library. Discussion participants will have the opportunity to select subsequent book titles. Call (719) 562-5660 for more information.

Lovecraft at the Library

Wednesday, February 28 at 7 p.m.

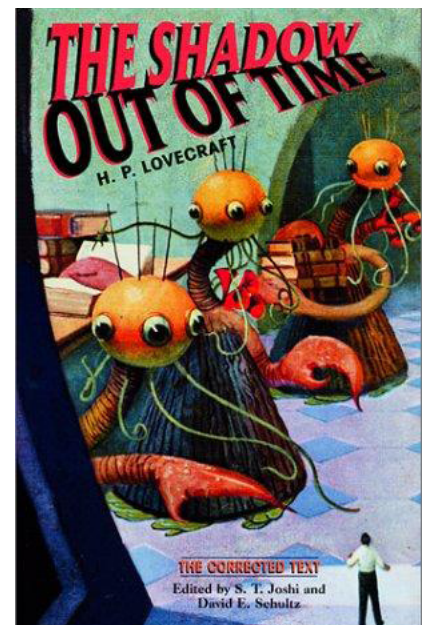
The Shadow Out of Time

by H.P. Lovecraft

Rawlings Public Library
Thurston Room - 1st Floor
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

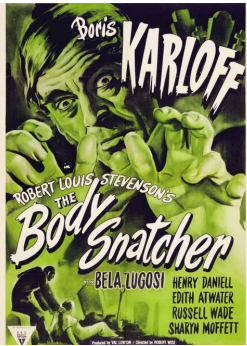
The Shadow Out of Time is perhaps H.P. Lovecraft's single finest horror story. Written late in the author's life, it is an intriguing story of the horrific truths uncovered by an archaeological dig in Australia.

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 devoted to the viewing and discussion of older horror, monster, science fiction, and fantasy films.

Starring in the 1945 film, *The Body Snatcher*, are the classic horror actors Boris Karloff & Bela Lugosi, appearing on screen together for their last time. This dark and brooding tale is based upon a short story by Robert Louis Stevenson. The film will be shown on Wednesday, February 14 at 7 p.m.

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

Saturday matinee movies at the InfoZone

Come to the InfoZone News Museum every Saturday and catch a classic family film. Located on the 4th floor of Rawlings Public Library, seating in our 100-seat theatre is on a first-come, first-served basis. Beverages are allowed, but food is not. If you would like to receive a monthly e-mail reminder on the movies and activities taking place in the InfoZone, send a quick note to infozonenewsmuseum@pueblolibrary.org.

Saturday, February 3 at 2 p.m.
Lassie (PG)

Saturday, February 10 at 2 p.m.
The Wild (G)

Saturday, February 17 at 2 p.m.
The Muppet Movie (G)

Saturday, February 24 at 2 p.m.
Swiss Family Robinson (G)

Independent film series @ the InfoZone

Grey Gardens & The Beales of Grey Gardens
Directed by Albert & David Maysles
Documentary/Comedy - United States
Saturday, February 17 at 6 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

The InfoZone is pleased to present a special double-feature.

Come at 6 p.m. to see *Grey Gardens*. The unbelievable but true story of Mrs. Edith Bouvier Beale and her daughter Edie, the aunt and first cousin of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. The 1975 documentary is now a cult classic, it captures the eccentric pair – mother and daughter – living in a world of their own behind the towering privets that surround their decaying 28-room East Hampton mansion, known as “Grey Gardens.”



Then at 7:50 p.m. enjoy the newly released *The Beales of Grey Gardens*. This film serves as a love letter to fans of the two women and is drawn entirely from never-before-seen material from the Maysles archive. The new work captures ‘Big’ Edie and ‘Little’ Edie at their resplendent, dazzling and exasperating best.

The InfoZone’s independent film screenings are free. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Refreshments will be served.

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24 Saturday

- Matinee Movie
Swiss Family Robinson (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

25 Sunday

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

26 Monday

- Mother Goose Time
Rawlings 10 a.m.
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- White Branch Book Club
The Ladies Auxiliary
by Tova Mirvis
White 7 p.m.

27 Tuesday

- Time for Tots - Hat Day
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
Wear your favorite hat while listening to stories.

28 Wednesday

- Dr. Seuss at the Library
The Lorax (movie)
Rawlings 9:30 a.m. & 4 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- Dr. Seuss at the Library
The Best of Dr. Seuss (movie)
Rawlings 11:45 a.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Preschool Story Time
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Lovecraft at the Library
The Shadow Out of Time
Rawlings 7 p.m.
Thurston Room - 1st Floor
- Dr. Seuss at the Library Party
Rawlings 7 p.m.
Ryals Room - 4th Floor

All
libraries
are closed
Monday,
February
19 for
President's
Day.

Native American Language Dictionary Collection donated to Western History Collection

The Pueblo City-County Library District has received a collection of materials collected by the late Harold Lee Benesch. Mr. Benesch was an avid woodworker and storyteller. He began collecting dictionaries of Native-American Languages in preparation for a fiction book he planned to write. After his sudden death on July 3, 2003, his wife, Alene M. Benesch donated the collection to the Western History section of the Rawlings Public Library. Included in the collection are the following titles:

Alberta Elders' Cree Dictionary by Nancy LeClaire
Assiniboine Language by Norman Balfour Levin
Beginning Cherokee by Ruth Bradley Holmes
Blackfoot Dictionary of Stems, Roots and Affixes by Donald G. Frantz
Caddo Phrasebook: Handy Words and Phrases as Used in Real Life by Unknown
Cherokee-English Dictionary by William Pulte
Cheyenne Topical Dictionary by Josephine Stands
Chickasaw: An Analytical Dictionary by Pamela Munro
Concise Dictionary of Minnesota Ojibwe by John D. Nichols
Crow Language Learning Guide by Edith C. Kates
A Dictionary of New Mexico and Southern Colorado Spanish by Ruben Cobos
Dictionary of the Northern Arapaho Language by Zdenek Salzman
A Dictionary of the Osage Language by Francis La Flesche
Encyclopedia of Native Tribes of North America by Michael Johnson
Essiac: A Native Herbal Cancer Remedy by Cynthia Olsen
Everyday Lakota: An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners by Joseph S. Karol
Flathead Nation Salish Dictionary by Tachini Pete
Handbook of North American Indians: Northwest Coast (Vol. 7) by William C. Sturtevant
Handbook of North American Indians: Great Basin (Vol. 11) by William C. Sturtevant
Handbook of North American Indians: Plateau (Vol. 12) by William C. Sturtevant
Handbook of North American Indians: Languages (Vol. 17) by William C. Sturtevant
Hope Dictionary by P. David Seaman
Indian Talk: Hand Signals of the American Indians by Iron Eyes Cody
An Introduction to the Arikara Language by Douglas R. Parks
Kalispel-English Dictionary by Missionaries of the Society of Jesus
Kootenai Dictionary by Kootenai Culture Committee
Let's Talk Cheyenne (audio cassettes) by Ted Risingsun
Lexical Acculturation in Native American Languages by Cecil H. Brown
Lushootseed Dictionary by Dawn Bates
A Mandan Language Booklet for Classroom Use by Edwin Benson
A Mojave Dictionary by Pamela Munro
Myths and Traditions of the Arikara Indians by Douglas R. Parks
Paiute-English English-Paiute Dictionary by Yerington Paiute Tribe
Papago/Pima-English-Papago/Pima Dictionary by Dean Saxton
A Papago Grammar by Ofelia Zepeda
A Phonology, Morphology, and Classified Word List for the Samish Dialect of Straits Salish by Brent Galloway
Reading and Writing the Lakota Language by Albert White Hat, Sr.
Salish Language and Culture by Joseph G. Jorgensen
"Salish" Okanogan/Colville Indian Language (audio cassettes) by Andy Joseph
Shuswap-English Dictionary by A.H. Kuipers
Snchitsu' umshtsn: The Coeur d'Alene Language by Lawrence G. Nicodemus
Thompson River Salish Dictionary by Laurence C. Thompson
Typological and Comparative Grammar of Uto-Aztecan: I (Phonology) by C.F. Voegelin
Upper Chehalis Dictionary by M. Dale Kinkade
Ute Dictionary by unknown
Ute Mountain Cultural and Language Department by unknown
Western Apache-English Dictionary by Dorothy Bray
Yakima Nation Practical Dictionary (2 copies) by Yakima Indian Nation Div. of Education
Yakima Practical Alphabet by unknown
Yoeme-English English-Yoeme Standard Dictionary by David L. Shaul

February is Black History Month - come and celebrate!

Monday, February 12

7 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

InfoZone Theatre, 4th Floor

In honor of Black History Month, the InfoZone will be showing the movie *Tuskegee Airmen*. The movie, starring Lawrence Fishburne, is based on the true story of the program begun by the US Army Air Corps to integrate African American pilots into the Fighter Pilot Program during World War II. The pilots endured constant harassment, prejudice, and much behind the scenes politics until at last they were able to prove themselves in combat. They became one of the finest US fighter groups of WWII and never lost a bomber to enemy action. Members of the Tuskegee Airmen will be in Pueblo on the same day and taking part in a celebration at Pueblo Community College.



Lost @ the Library

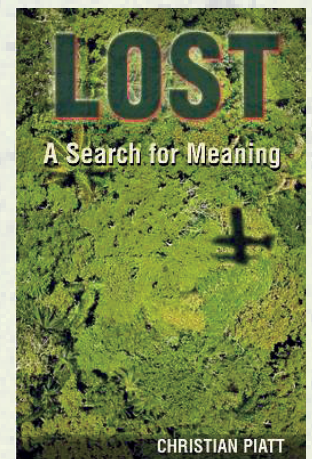
Wednesday, February 7

7 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

InfoZone Theatre, 4th Floor



Are you a fan of the TV show *Lost*? Come to the library and see your favorite characters larger than life on the InfoZone's big screen. We'll chat first with author Christian Piatt about his new book *Lost: A Search for Meaning* (which is based on the TV program).

You'll then have the chance to win prizes as we test your knowledge of this hit show, its story lines and characters during the trivia contest.

And of course you'll want to stick around for the new episode of the new season which hits the air waves at 8 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to watch a great series with fellow fans.

Light refreshments will also be served. See you there!



Kids' Page

Kids Korner Space Day

Saturday, February 17
2 to 3 p.m.
White Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

Come learn about planets, stars, and other space objects while you make projects that are out of this world. This event is free and open to kids in grades kindergarten through third. This event is free and open to younger children.

Seussical Celebrations @ the Library

Tuesday, February 27
Time for Tots - Hat Day
10 & 10:30 a.m.
White Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

Wear your favorite hat while listening to stories. For 18 month to 3 year olds.

Wednesday, February 28
Dr. Seuss at the Library
9:30 a.m.
The Lorax (movie)
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre, 4th Floor

11:45 a.m.
The Best of Dr. Seuss (movie)
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre, 4th Floor

4 p.m.
The Lorax (movie)
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre, 4th Floor

7 to 8 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room, 4th Floor

Thursday, March 1
Sleepy Story Time
10 & 10:30 a.m.
White Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

Wear pajamas, bring your teddy bear and blanket, and hear Dr. Seuss stories. For ages 3 to 5.

Saturday, March 3
Dr. Seuss at the Library
2 to 4 p.m.
Barkman Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Blvd.

2 to 3 p.m.
Lamb Library
2525 South Pueblo Blvd.
10 to 11 a.m.
White Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

Pueblo Girl Essay Contest

Fourth and fifth grade girls are invited to write an essay about the woman you want to be and what you will do to become that woman. Essays must be 700 words or less. Entries are due Friday, February 9, and an Awards Ceremony will be held on March 2.

Grand Prize: An American Girl Doll
(valued at more than \$100)
10 Runner-up Prizes: American Girl Books

Entry forms are available at all library locations. Submit entries to Rawlings Public Library, attention Community Relations Department. For additional information, call (719) 562-5606.

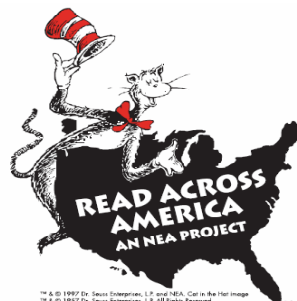
Create Your Own Dr. Seuss Character

Contest Rules

1. Draw your own Dr. Seuss character and write a brief description of your character.
2. All participants must be residents of Pueblo County.
3. Entries are due Friday, March 2.
4. Winning entries will be displayed during an art show.

Entry forms are available at all library locations. Entries may be brought to the Rawlings Public Library, Barkman, Lamb or White Branches or mailed to:

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



Teen Scene

Make Duct Tape Roses & Pop-Up Valentines Cards

Tuesday, February 13
7 to 8 p.m.
Rawlings Library
100 E. Abriendo Avenue
Ryals Room, 4th Floor

All supplies and snacks provided free of charge. Call Mr. Mike at (719) 562-5603 for more information.



Gocks: Goth sock puppets

Saturday, February 10
2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Lamb Library
2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.
Teens 6th - 12th grades

Mohawks, tongue studs, goatees, third eyes and all other fashions an alter ego can handle will turn an ordinary sock into a Gock, Goth Sock Puppet. All supplies and snacks provided free of charge. Call (719) 562-5670 for more information.

Chocolate Fest

Wednesday, February 14
7 to 8 p.m.
White Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

Spend your Valentine's Day making and tasting chocolates and decorating Mardi Gras masks. This program is free and open to those in grades 6-12. No registration is required. Please call (719) 562-5660 for more information.



Come Celebrate Chinese New Year!

February 20
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Barkman Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Come make Chinese Lanterns and find your Chinese Zodiac.

This event is free and open to teens. Call (719) 562-5680 for more information.



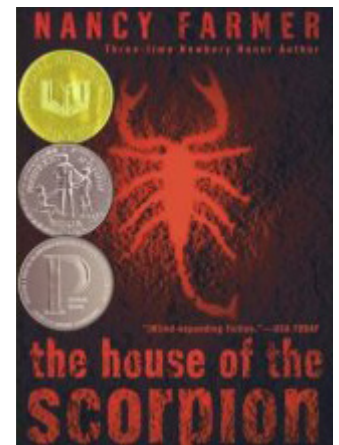
Teen stories at Barkman Library

Thursdays, February 1, 8, 15, & 22
7:30 p.m.
Barkman Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.
House of the Scorpion
by Nancy Farmer

Matteo Alacrán was not born; he was harvested. His DNA came from El Patrón, lord of a country called Opium -- a strip of poppy fields lying between the United States and what was once called Mexico.

Matt's first cell split and divided inside a petri dish. Then he was placed in the womb of a cow, where he continued the miraculous journey from embryo to fetus to baby. He is a boy now, but most consider him a monster -- except for El Patrón. El Patrón loves Matt as he loves himself, because Matt is himself.

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



Shop at Books Again Used Bookstore

Weekly Sales for the Month of February

February 5 - February 17

Any books about love or with "love" in the title in order to celebrate Valentine's Day. (All sale books are 90% with minimum price of \$1.00. No additional discounts will apply to these sale books.)

February 19 - February 24

Books about Hollywood or the movie industry in honor of Academy Awards this week. (All sale books are 90% with minimum price of \$1.00. No additional discounts will apply to these sale books.)

February 26 - March 3

Any books about U.S. Presidents or vice presidents in honor of President's Day. (All sale books are 90% with minimum price of \$1.00. No additional discounts will apply to these sale books.)

WE APPRECIATE YOUR BUSINESS!

New Volunteers at Books Again:

Sherri Shaub
Gail Rhodes
Virginia Madrill

Reminder: All Friends of the Library receive a 10% discount when they shop! A Books Again Club Membership may be purchased for five dollars a year to receive an additional 10% off.

Did you know: Money is made from cotton and not paper?



Location and phone number:

Books Again is located one block east of the Rawlings Public Library at 622 S. Union Ave.
(719) 543-4688

Open Mon. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Closed on Sunday

2007 Outstanding Women's Awards

The Pueblo City-County Library District wants to honor the women who make a difference in your organization. All community groups are invited to nominate their special ladies for the Outstanding Women's Awards.

The purpose of the program is to record and promote the role women have played in Pueblo's history.

Nominees must be residents of Pueblo County currently or during the time the award honors. The person does not have to be living to be honored. Nomination forms are available at all public libraries.

GUIDELINES

1. The woman must be a resident of Pueblo County either now or during the time the award honors.
2. Nominations must be sponsored by a Pueblo organization, club, association, etc.
3. The nominating organization is responsible for preparing a brief biographical sketch of 100-200 words describing the woman's accomplishments. A brief summary will be included on a handout to be distributed at the luncheon. If possible, please include a photograph. Past recipients will not receive a second award.

4. A representative of the nominating organization will present the award at a special luncheon on Friday, March 2 at noon. The awards ceremony will be brief so that women who work may attend.

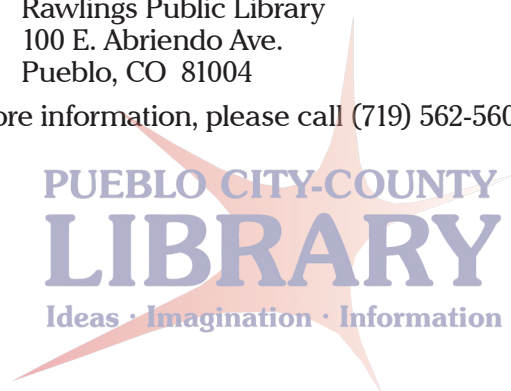
5. The nominating organization will pay \$55.00 for the award (\$40.00) and the honoree's lunch (\$15.00).

6. All nominees will be honored. Nominations must be received by Friday, February 9, 2007 at 5 p.m.

Send or deliver nominations to:

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

For more information, please call (719) 562-5606.





Friends of the Library President's Corner by Jeanne Gardner

The Friends' Board continues its support of library programs with its sponsorship of the 9th Annual Pueblo Girl Essay Contest and the nomination of four individuals for the 25th Anniversary celebration of Pueblo's Women's History Week. Both events will take place at a luncheon at the Rawlings Public Library in the Ryals Room, on Friday, March 2 at noon.

The board begins a new year in April, and several board members' terms are expiring. Please consider becoming a board member. The purpose of "the Friends of the Pueblo City-County Library District is ...to keep the public informed and interested in the facilities, the needs and the possible improvements in the public library system of Pueblo, Colorado and to help the library system make educational, informational, cultural and recreational services available to the public."

A term is three years with the option of serving a second three-year term. The board meets once a month from August through May. The requirement to be a board member is to be a member of the Friends. Applications will be considered at the March board

meeting. The new terms begin April 17, 2007.

Board members serve on committees and participate in activities. The most visible activity is Books Again, our used book store. Book store options include being a day manager, a cashier, a sorter, or a stocker. Another activity, the Magazine Exchange Project, provides donated magazines to local schools. The Project Selection Committee reviews applications for grants from the Pueblo City-County Library District and recommends applicants' projects to the board. The Membership Committee works to keep the Friends membership strong by overseeing membership activities and developing an annual membership campaign. The Program Committee works with the library district to provide programming throughout the year and identifies a program speaker for the Friends' annual meeting.

Anyone who wishes to support the Pueblo City-County Library District through the Friends of the Library is invited to apply for a board vacancy. Please call (719) 562-5606 and request a Friends of the Library Board application.

A Special Gift for Books Again Patrons! by Edna Shoaf

Good morning, and a lovely February morning 'tis indeed! Just when you think all the hustle and bustle of the holidays are over, along comes another at the tail end of winter, if you please! It appears to me that our holiday season begins with Halloween in October and only ends in the middle of January when the last stubborn pine needle from the Christmas tree has been dug out of the carpet! But take heart - good things have been happening at Books Again just especially for all you bibliophiles out there!

In honor of Valentine's Day, Books Again volunteers have been hard at work to make shopping for that special book much more pleasant. We are in the process of alphabetizing our books at the many requests of our customers. Also, you will find price lists available to carry around with you while you shop so that you know instantly what a book will cost. All of this is in addition to the Special Sales for the month! Those sales are listed each month in your newsletter. So, pick up a gift certificate for that special someone for a Valentine's Day gift - you will find lots of books on romance!

As you browse through the store, be sure to enjoy Margaret's unique displays and bulletin boards, in particular the antique steamer trunk which is lined

with a lovely old quilt and filled with different displays of books. She has also found a cat to join the faithful dog which guards the checkout counter.

Have you ever sneaked a peek in the back room? Lots of good things are also occurring back there, which used to be off limits to customers because so many books were lying about that had not been sorted and categorized. This area is in the process of being reorganized so that more books are available for customer perusal.

If you had been considering volunteering at Books Again, now is a good time to do so. Another orientation for volunteers is coming this month. If you are interested, please call Books Again at (719) 543-4688 for more information. We are always in need of more volunteers. The purpose of the volunteer staff at Books Again is to create a pleasant, colorful area where shoppers feel welcome and comfortable.

If you have books in need of new readers, just come on in! No good book should be left lying around neglected when there is someone out there just waiting to be a new friend! And remember - the proceeds from our sales go to fund special projects for your library! I believe this is a win-win situation for all of Pueblo! Happy Reading!

**Pueblo City-County Library District
100 E. Abriendo Avenue
Pueblo, Colorado 81004**

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**Friends of the Library
Membership Form**

Name or Organization _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number _____



**Make check payable to:
Friends of the Library,
100 E. Abriendo Avenue
Pueblo, CO 81004**

Memberships:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Individual | <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Gold Card | <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Benefactor | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Patron |

Computers 101 at White Library

Tuesday, February 13

8 - 10 a.m.

White Branch Library

298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

Pueblo West

If you are a computer novice, this class is for you! Learn how to use the mouse, learn basic computer terms and computer components, and try your hand at Microsoft Word and Internet Explorer. No experience is necessary, but space is limited. Please call (719) 562-5660 for a reservation.

**Grantseeking Basics
for Nonprofits**

Wednesday, February 21

9:30 to 12 noon

Rawlings Public Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

InfoZone Theatre - 4th Floor

Volunteers, staff and board members of nonprofit and community organizations get a free orientation of the library's nonprofit resource center. Registration is required for this free event by February 13. Please call (719) 562-5626 for a reservation.