

# News & Events

Of the Pueblo City-County Library District

**FEBRUARY 2008**

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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.  
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  
485-3127  
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  
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## PCCLD celebrates Black History Month

**Black Pioneers of the Arkansas Valley  
Presented by librarian Rebecca Atkinson  
Saturday, Feb. 23 at 2 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**

Learn about the extraordinary life and times of mountain man and chief of the Crow, Jim Beckwourth. Discover Charlotte Green, cook and housekeeper at Bent's Fort - arguably the first American woman to live and work in the Arkansas Valley. Hear about Rolan Dixon Craig,



James Beckwourth

the last surviving resident of an all-black homesteaders' community near Manzanola. From the 1830s to the 1930s, Black Americans played an important part developing the region. Discover their stories - and bring some of your own, if you have them. For more information, please call 562-5624.

**Malcolm X Chautauqua performance  
by Charles Everett Pace  
Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**

After rising from an early life of drug abuse and petty criminal behavior, this respected yet controversial political figure confronts a personal moral crisis – his own human bigotry. National humanities scholar and Chautauqua performer, Charles Everett Pace, delivers a performance as the famous human rights activist and Islamic cleric. This special performance is free and refreshments will be provided. Don't miss this great event!



Malcolm X

## Black History Month film festival

The InfoZone Theatre is showing movies to celebrate Black History Month every Thursday in February. All screenings are at 7 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. All movies shown are free!

**Sarafina! (PG-13)  
Thursday, Feb. 7**

Sarafina lives with her aunt and uncle in Soweto, South Africa. Her mother works as a maid in a white household in Johannesburg.

**A Soldier's Story (PG)  
Thursday, Feb. 14**

Alone, far from home, and far from justice, a tough black Army attorney has three days

to learn the truth about a murder.

**Down in the Delta (PG-13)  
Thursday, Feb. 21**

A mother sends her drug-addicted daughter and grandchildren away from the big city to live with their uncle who introduces them, in stories, to their ancestors in the time of slavery.

**Something  
the Lord  
Made (PG)  
Thursday,  
Feb. 28**

Cardiologist Alfred Blalock and his black assistant invent heart bypass surgery.

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## Events Calendar Feb. 2008

### 1 Friday

- **Really Basic Computer Class**  
Rawlings 9:30 a.m.  
Training Room - 3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Storytime**  
Rawlings 11 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 11:30 a.m.

### 2 Saturday

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

### 3 Sunday

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

### 4 Monday

- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Literary Discussion Group**  
*Team of Rivals*  
Barkman 7 p.m.

### 5 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene: Hippie Swirls**  
Lamb 7 p.m.

### 6 Wednesday

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

### 7 Thursday

- **Preschool Storytime**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Black History Month Screenings**  
*Sarafina!* (PG-13)  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

### 8 Friday

- **Introduction to MS Word**  
Rawlings 9:30 a.m.  
Training Room - 3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Storytime**  
Rawlings 11 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 11:30 a.m.



## Numbers and Feedback

by Jon Walker

2007 was a great year for the Pueblo City-County Library District. In fact, it was the Library's best year, yet. How do I know this? There are a few different ways.

One way to know 2007 was great is the numbers. In 2007 we checked out 1,138,689 books and other library materials to members of the community. This is a new all-time record number of checkouts. 58,613 people attended library events and programs. Again, this is an all-time record number. 285,023 people logged onto library Internet computers. Yet another record number. The numbers clearly show people are engaged with your library and that 2007 was a phenomenal year.

Another way to know 2007 was great is anecdotal. It is from the individual comments I receive from people about their individual positive library experiences. Here are a few of the dozens and dozens of written remarks about the Pueblo City-County Library District from the past year:

- "We appreciate all that you always do for us."
- "Thank you so much for all you do for our kids."
- "Your Teen Central is Grand."
- "Words cannot express how grateful we are to you."
- "I would like to praise one of your employees."
- "Your time, effort and interest are all so appreciated."

- "I love learning and working in the library."
- "Thank you for the books. I love your Library!!!"
- "Your....assistance and persistence were invaluable in allowing me to find the answers I sought."
- "I am writing to let you know how thankful I am for the assistance provided, the availability of the resources in your library, and also to let you know the impact your resources had."
- "You are really doing a great service to the community."
- "I have been most blessed and certainly appreciative of the kind and willing heart to extend such great representation of the city."
- "I found your staff to be courteous and helpful as we mined through volumes of historical data."
- "Thank you so much for all your help."
- "Thank you for your work with the reading program at the Pueblo City-County Library District."
- "The maintenance/custodial staff were outstanding in supporting our training. The staff overseeing your information desk was also very helpful."

The numbers and feedback tell the story. 2007 was a great year for the library. Our best year, yet.

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



Some of the awesome Pueblo City-County Library District employees who helped make the first Satellite Saturday in January a huge success. Thanks!



# Successful Satellite Saturdays!

Feb. 2008



Satellite Saturday for the mountain schools on Jan. 26.

The first ever Satellite Saturdays took place in January. Three events were held to highlight satellite libraries, which are collaborations between a school and the library district. This arrangement makes it possible for patrons to conveniently check out public library materials at various Pueblo City School and Pueblo School District 70 locations.

The first Satellite Saturday was held on Jan. 12 for Pueblo City School students at Cesar Chavez Academy and Risley Middle School, where satellite are located. The second event on Jan. 19 was for Mesa students who

attend Avondale, North Mesa, South Mesa and Vineland Elementary. The third event was Jan. 26 for the mountain-community satellite libraries, which include Beulah, Craver Middle and Rye Elementary School.

For more information about satellite libraries, call Barbara Brown at 562-5631.



A concert was part of the offering at the City Schools Satellite Day on Jan. 12.



A huge crowd of students from the Mesa gather for Satellite Saturday, Jan. 19 at the Rawlings Library.

## 9 Saturday

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

## 10 Sunday

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

## 11 Monday

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

## 12 Tuesday

- Time for Tots White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Teen Scene: Make a Valentine Pin Barkman 3:30 p.m.
- Kids Korner: Spiderwick Party White 4 p.m.

## 13 Wednesday

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

## 14 Thursday

- Preschool Storytime White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Black History Month Screenings *A Soldier's Story* (PG) Rawlings 7 p.m. InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 15 Friday

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

## 16 Saturday

- Matinee Movie *The Goonies* (PG) Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor
- Independent Film *Dreams of Dust* Rawlings 7 p.m. InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 17 Sunday

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

## 18 Monday

- All libraries are closed for President's Day.

## 19 Tuesday

- Internet Basics Class White 8 a.m. Please call 562-5660 for reservations.
- Time for Tots White 10 & 10:30 a.m.

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## 19 Tuesday

- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene: Hippie Swirls**  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
Ryals room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 20 Wednesday

- **Bilingual Storytime**  
Barkman 10 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **Chinese New Year Party**  
White 7 p.m.
- **Malcolm X Chautauqua performance by Charles Everett Pace**  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 21 Thursday

- **Preschool Storytime**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Anime Club**  
White 7 p.m.
- **Black History Month Screenings**  
*Down in the Delta* (PG-13)  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 22 Friday

- **Beginning Internet**  
Rawlings 9:30 a.m.  
Training Room - 3<sup>rd</sup> floor
- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Storytime**  
Rawlings 11 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 11:30 a.m.

## 23 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**  
*The Astronaut Farmer* (PG)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor
- **Black Pioneers of the Arkansas Valley**  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

## 24 Sunday

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

## 25 Monday

- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Pueblo West book club**  
*A Cup of Tea*  
White 7 p.m.

## 26 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

## Barkman book-discussion group

Monday, Feb. 4 at 7 p.m.

*Team of Rivals*

by Doris Kearns Goodwin

Barkman Public Library

1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

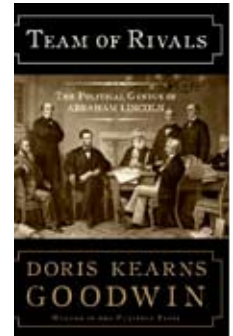
Goodwin makes the case for Lincoln's political genius by examining his relationships with three men he selected for his cabinet, all of whom were opponents for the Republican nomination in 1860: William H. Seward, Salmon P. Chase, and Edward Bates. These men, all accomplished, nationally known, and presidential, originally disdained Lincoln

for his backwoods upbringing and lack of experience, and were shocked and humiliated at losing to this relatively obscure Illinois lawyer. For more information, call 562-5680.

March Selection

Monday, Mar. 3 at 7 p.m.

*Listening Woman* by Tony Hillerman and *Lost Bird* by Margaret Coel



## Pueblo West book club celebrates one-year anniversary

Monday, Feb. 25 at 7 p.m.

*A Cup of Tea* by Amy Ephron

White Public Library

298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

Pueblo West

This has been a great year for the White Public Library in Pueblo West. Not only has ground been broken for a new library building, but the book club of Pueblo West is celebrating their one-year anniversary.

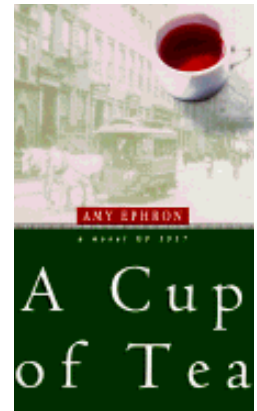
The book club started off with a classic title: *Hawthorne's The Scarlet Letter*. This gave everyone a chance to read or re-read a classic and get to know some new friends.

The book club is a great way to see how others interpret books. The group uses questions posted on the website [www.readinggroupguides.com](http://www.readinggroupguides.com)

to discuss each book. This year, the book club also had the honor of hosting two local authors, Betty Alt and Victor Moss.

If you love to read, come join the fun. The February book is *A Cup of Tea* by Amy Ephron, and the March book is *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen. Meetings are the last Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

For more information, call Kathryn Deetz at 547-4348. We look forward to meeting you!



## Online book clubs

Online Book Clubs allow you to "test drive" books in your favorite genre before checking them out. Every day, Monday through Friday, a five-minute selection from a chapter of a book will be emailed to you. By the end of the week, you'll have read two to three chapters. You'll also be able to participate in AuthorBuzz, an exclusive weekly service featuring four to five authors, up close and personal with interviews and pictures. Authors offer free signed copies of books and dozens of free giveaways every week!

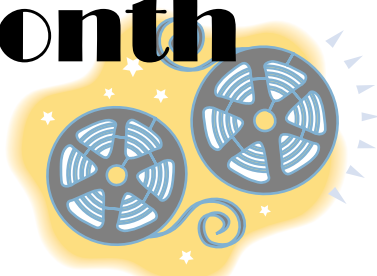
You'll also have access to Book Forum and be able to see what your friends and neighbors are saying about what they're reading, and post comments of your own.

To sign up, go to <http://www.pueblolibrary.org/>, click on "Online Databases", click on the alphabetical list and then click on "Online Book Clubs." Genres include fiction, nonfiction, business, romance and many more.

For more information contact Kay Loeber at 553-0213.



# Playing this month @ your library



## Movie fun at the InfoZone

All screenings are at 2 p.m., and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are. The InfoZone Theatre is located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo. Remember all movies shown are free!

***The Last Unicorn*** (G)  
Saturday, Feb. 2

***Arctic Tale*** (G)  
Saturday, Feb. 9

***The Goonies*** (PG)  
Saturday, Feb. 16

***The Astronaut Farmer*** (PG)  
Saturday, Feb. 23

## Independent film series @ the InfoZone

***Dreams of Dust***  
directed by Laurent Salgues  
Drama - Burkina Faso, Canada, France;  
English subtitles  
Saturday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
InfoZone Theatre - 4<sup>th</sup> floor



Mocktar, a Nigerian peasant, comes looking for work in Essakane, a dusty gold mine in Northeast Burkina Faso, Africa, where he hopes to forget the past that haunts him. In Essakane, he quickly finds out, the gold rush ended twenty years before, and the inhabitants of this wasteland and strange timelessness manage to exist simply from force of habit. The beautiful Coumba, however, is still courageously

struggling to raise her daughter after the death of her family. Mocktar will soon be fighting not only to survive, but also to provide a better future for this mother and her child.

The film is free, and public seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information about the Independent Films call (719)562-5604 or send an e-mail to [InfoZone@pueblolibrary.org](mailto:InfoZone@pueblolibrary.org).

## Spanish Language Classes

**Mondays & Wednesdays**  
**Feb. 11 - March 19**  
**Noon to 1 p.m. or 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.**  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Thanks to grants from the Rawlings Foundation and the Southern Colorado Community Foundation, the Pueblo City-County Library District is offering a free, six-week Spanish course for beginners. Class will not be held Feb. 18. Meeting rooms will

vary and a schedule of meeting rooms will be given out at the first class.

The instructor is Lilly Ann Friend-Grover. She has years of experience teaching Command Spanish classes. The required material for the class is: *Spanish for Gringos I*, a book and audio kit.

Please call Rebecca Atkinson at 562-5624 for more information or to register for this high-demand class.

Feb. 2008

### 27 Wednesday

- **Bilingual Storytime**  
Barkman 10 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Stories**  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime**  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **Cosmic Commotion: A study of our stormy sun**  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone 4<sup>th</sup> floor

### 28 Thursday

- **Preschool Storytime**  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Black History Month Screenings**  
***Something the Lord Made*** (PG)  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

### 29 Friday

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

**All  
libraries  
are closed  
Monday,  
Feb. 18 for  
Presidents  
Day**



# Kids' Page

## Sensational Seuss!

**Saturday, Mar. 1 at 10 a.m.**  
**White Public Library**  
**298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.**  
**Pueblo West**

Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday and the release of the *Horton Hears a Who* movie. Kids can enjoy elephant games and crafts and a birthday cake. Kids of all ages are invited to this free event. Call 562-5660 for more information.

**Monday, Mar. 3 at 3:30 p.m.**  
**Barkman Public Library**  
**1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.**

Celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday. Have a fun afternoon with stories, crafts, prizes and treats to eat. Kids of all ages are invited to this free event. Call 562-5680 for more information.

**Monday, Mar. 3 at 7 p.m.**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**

Games, activities, storytelling and fun for the entire family. Call 562-5603 for more information.

**Thursday, Mar. 6 at 4 p.m.**  
**Lamb Public Library**  
**2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.**

Seussmania! Free fun for the whole family. Call 562-5670 for more information.

## Kids Korner Spiderwick Party

**Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 4 p.m.**  
**White Public Library**  
**298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.**  
**Pueblo West**

Celebrate the release of the *Spiderwick Chronicles* movie by playing games inspired by the books. Children in grades K-5 are invited to this free event. Call 562-5660 for more information.

## Create Your Own Dr. Seuss Character Contest

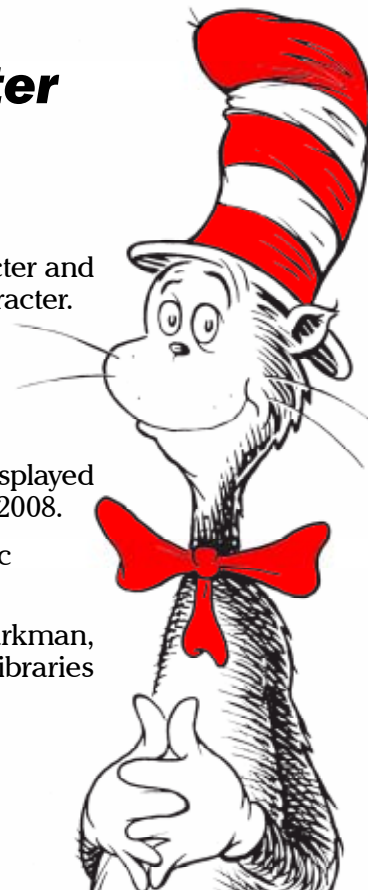
### Contest Rules

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, Mar. 7.
4. Winning entries will be displayed during an art show from Apr. 7 - 20, 2008.

Entry forms are available at all public library locations.

Entries may be brought to the Barkman, Lamb, Rawlings and White Public Libraries or mailed to:

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



## Pueblo Girl essay contest - win an American Girl doll and book worth \$90!

Write an essay, in 700 words or less, about the woman you want to be and what you will do to become that woman. This writing contest is for girls in grades 4-5.

**Entries are due by Friday, Feb. 8.**

The winner will be recognized at a special event on March 7 and treated to a free lunch. Additional prizes for the winner include the American Girl "Mia" doll (pictured at right) and book.

Entry forms are available at all Pueblo City-County Library District locations. For additional information, please call 562-5606.

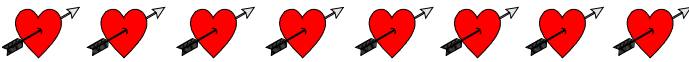


# Teen Scene

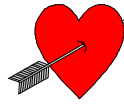
## Make a Valentine Pin

**Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 3:30 p.m.**  
**Barkman Public Library**  
**1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.**

Want to honor someone special with a handmade gift or maybe create something nice for yourself? Make a Valentine pin or magnet to keep or give away. You can also play a few games and have some sweets too! This event is free and open to teens. Please call 562-5680 for more information.



## Hippie Swirls



**Tuesday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m.**  
**Lamb Public Library**  
**2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.**

**Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m.**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**  
**Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**

What's a Hippie Swirl? Think of a lava lamp and then think again. You'll have a blast making these farout freaky toys. The event is free and open to teens. For more information, please call 553-0207.

## Cosmic Commotion: A study of our stormy sun

**Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m.**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**  
**InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**

Come hear Dave Mynatt, space weather expert, and Dr. Bill Brown, associate physics professor at CSU-Pueblo talk about solar flares, the aurora borealis and other space-weather phenomena.

Space weather - known to scientists as sudden ionospheric disturbances - is caused by solar flares on the sun's surface. When a solar flare occurs, a blast of intense ultraviolet and x-ray radiation hits the Earth after about eight minutes, wreaking havoc with a variety of communication devices - everything

from cell phones to car radios. Learn more about these cosmic commotions and help scientists gather information on how to better predict future weather disturbances.

The InfoZone News Museum will have high-tech gear on display throughout the month of February, along with amazing pictures of the churning, burning sun and its effects on the planet. There will also be an exhibit explaining how scientists use data beamed to earth from satellites to investigate and learn how the sun works.

This event and the display are free and open to the public. Access [www.infozonenewsmuseum.com](http://www.infozonenewsmuseum.com), the InfoZone's web site, for more information about upcoming events related to this cool display.

## Chinese New Year Party

**Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m.**  
**White Public Library**  
**298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., Pueblo West**

2008 is the year of the Rat, and we want you to celebrate it with us and learn about your own Chinese sign.

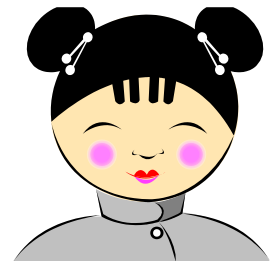
All those in grades 6-12 are invited. Refreshments and door prizes will be provided. Call 562-5660 for more information.



## Anime Club

**Thursday, Feb 21 at 7 p.m.**  
**White Public Library**  
**298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., Pueblo West**

Watch an anime film with us and then stay for a discussion. The anime is suitable for those in grades 6 and up. Refreshments will be served. Call 562-5660 for more information.





# Early Pueblo County Colorado Postal History Display

**Feb. 1 to Mar. 10**  
**Rawlins Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**  
**Special Collections area - 3<sup>rd</sup> floor**

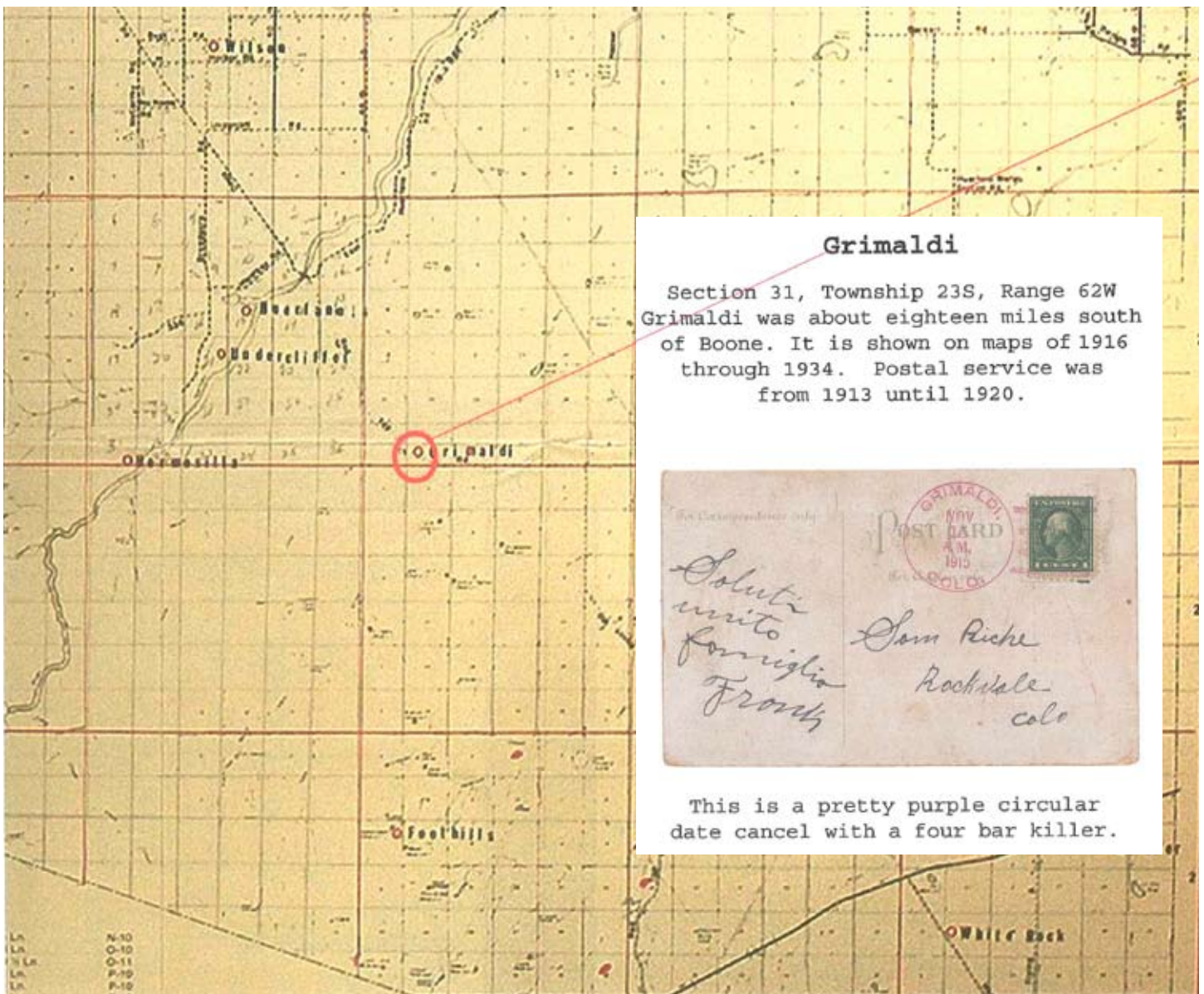
The Pueblo City- County Library District is hosting an exhibit by the Pueblo Stamp Club, Chapter No. 338 of the American Philatelic Society. The display features early Pueblo County postal markings on covers and post cards and also contains Pueblo County historical maps identifying locations of Pueblo County post offices operating as early as 1861.

The exhibited postal materials were researched by Pueblo Stamp Club members using mostly reference materials contained in Special Collections. In addition to finding various published articles in the *Pueblo Chieftain* and in the Pueblo County Historical Society's

*Pueblo Lore* magazine, the club members consulted the following library sources for more information on Colorado's early postal history:

- 382.097 B Bauer, William. *Colorado Postal History: the Post Offices* (J-B Pub. Co, 1971)
- 283.497 B Bauer, William. *Colorado Post Offices, 1859-1989* (Colorado Railroad Museum, 1990).
- National Archives Microfilm. *Post Office Department Reports of Site Locations, 1837-1959 Colorado.*

For more information, please contact Richard Tucey at 562-5652 or email [richard.tucey@pueblolibrary.org](mailto:richard.tucey@pueblolibrary.org). For further research on this topic, contact the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library in Denver (see: <http://www.rmpldenver.org>) or the Colorado Postal History Society (see: <http://www.coloradpostalhistorysociety.com/>).



This is a pretty purple circular date cancel with a four bar killer.

A postal cover letter that was mailed from a Pueblo County post office known as Grimaldi which provided postal service in Pueblo County from 1913 until 1920.



## **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program**



The VITA Program offers free tax help to low- to moderate-income (generally, \$40,000 and below) people who cannot prepare their own tax returns. Certified volunteers sponsored by various organizations receive training to help prepare basic tax returns in communities across the country.

**Wednesdays, 1 – 5 p.m.  
starting January 16  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
3<sup>rd</sup> floor training room**

**Items you need to bring to the VITA sites to have your tax returns prepared:**

- Proof of identification
- Social Security cards for you, your spouse and dependents and/or a Social Security Number verification letter issued by the Social Security Administration

- Birth dates for you, your spouse and dependents on the tax return
- Current year's tax package, if you have one
- Wage and earning statement(s) Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R, from all employers
- Interest and dividend statements from banks (Form 1099)
- A copy of last year's Federal and State returns if available
- Bank Routing Numbers and Account Numbers for Direct Deposit
- Total paid for day care provider and the day care provider's tax identifying number (the provider's Social Security Number or the provider's business Employer Identification Number)
- To file taxes electronically on a married filing joint tax return, both spouses must be present to sign the required forms

## **2008 Outstanding Women's Awards luncheon**

**Friday, March 7 at noon  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**

Spend your lunch hour networking and being inspired by some of Pueblo's most outstanding women! The Pueblo City-County Library District is honoring women who make a difference. All community groups are encouraged to nominate their special ladies for the Outstanding Women's Awards, which exists to record and promote women's roles in Pueblo's history.

Nominees must be residents of Pueblo County currently or during the time the award honors. Women may be honored posthumously. Nomination forms are available at all public libraries and contain further instructions on the nomination process.

A representative of the nominating organization will present the award at the luncheon on Friday, Mar. 7 at noon. The awards ceremony will be one hour and tickets are \$15. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 562-5606.

## **Accessible Avenues: An Assistive Technology Project**

A Pueblo City-County Library District staff committee (Richard Tucey, Kathy Knox, Kay Loeber, Barbara Brown, Mary Wagner and Bill Seidel) was formed last year to develop and implement an assistive technology project at the Rawlings Public Library. The library committee partnered with Assistive Technology Partners and a local community advisory board.

The project's goal is to remove barriers to the library's resources for persons who are blind or deaf or have a visual or hearing impairment. The project is also designed to improve library access for persons who have learning disabilities or who have physical limitations or mobility impairments.

Creating accessible public library collections, computer workstations, and meeting rooms is fundamental to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Funding for this project comes from two sources, a \$20,000 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant and a \$1,250 Friends of the Library grant.

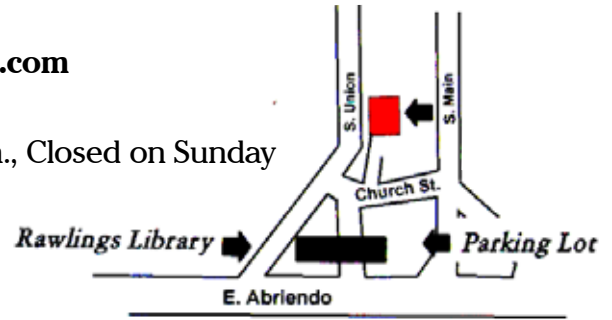
Library activities planned include a needs assessment, an "Accessibility Awareness Day" and the implementation of two adjustable-height Internet workstations at the Rawlings Public Library. For more information about this project or to be a project volunteer, please contact Richard Tucey at 562-5652 or email [richard.tucey@pueblolibrary.org](mailto:richard.tucey@pueblolibrary.org).



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February is here again and do we have a deal for you at Books again! In honor of Valentine's Day, any hard back novel on the shelf, which has the color red somewhere on the cover, can be purchased for only two dollars!



## Computer classes

### Internet Basics Class

Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 8 a.m.

White Public Library

298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., Pueblo West

Get the experience you need to do basic Internet browsing and search for websites using Internet Explorer. This class is free and open to the public, but you must be able to use the mouse. Registration is required. Please call 562-5660 for more information.

### Really Basic Computer Class

Friday, Feb. 1 at 9:30 a.m.

Rawlings Public Library

3<sup>rd</sup> floor Training Room

This class is designed for new computer users who have little or no previous experience using computers, Windows, a mouse, and little or no knowledge of basic computer terms.

### Introduction to MS Word

Friday, Feb. 8 at 9:30 a.m.

Rawlings Public Library

3<sup>rd</sup> floor Training Room

This class shows how to use this word-processing program to create documents. You will learn how to use the toolbar, format, apply spell check, and preview, save and print documents. **Basic keyboard and mouse skills are necessary.**

### Beginning Internet

Friday, Feb. 22 at 9:30 a.m.

Rawlings Public Library

3<sup>rd</sup> floor Training Room

This class is designed for people with little or no experience in using the Internet. You will learn to navigate the World Wide Web using Internet Explorer and basic search engines. **Basic keyboard and mouse skills are necessary.**

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



**W**ow! What a year at Books Again. Our gross sales, including sales tax, were \$77,499. That's \$19,352 or 33% more than 2006. In my opinion there are a number of factors that contributed to this increase. First, and foremost, the leadership of our new manager Melanie Tappen, who pushed through the second reason for the increase, the doubling of our retail display space by remodeling part of our old warehouse area into sales area. I understand Del Milne also deserves a lot of credit for this expansion as he was the first to suggest it and helped plan the layout of the area. And, of course the small army of volunteers who moved all the books, several times, to make it what you see today. I think the other reasons are less direct but include good special-sales, more advertising, more user friendly layout of the store, better signage inside and out, terrific volunteers who keep the books sorted and neat and easy to find on the shelves, and word of mouth about what a terrific store we have. In other words the store has improved in all areas, and those efforts have had the desired results, a big increase in sales.

Here are the figures on Books Again sales in 2007:

- Total Sales: \$77,499
- Profits transferred to "Friends" for Library Projects: \$32,020
- Rent payments directly to Library: \$16,740
- Total benefit to Pueblo Library District: \$48,760
- Percentage of total sales that benefits Library: 63%
- Total volunteer hours working in store: 6022
- Estimated number of books sold in 2007: 45,000

We are just winding up our membership drive, which was a little late this year due to the redesign of our materials, lots of activities at the library by the staff that aids in this effort and the change over to a new system whereby all memberships are renewed 12 months from their inception. For years we have had memberships running from October of one year to September the following year, regardless of when you joined. Our Board felt this needed to be changed so 2007 was the year we bit the bullet and started a new, more member-friendly way of handing memberships. So, if you haven't already done so, get your membership renewal sent in today. Our organization is doing great things for the library and now with Books Again directly to the community as well. You really need to be a part of this.

## **When is a Pfof Not a Post** **by Edna Shoaf**

When one really thinks about it, the English language is replete with contradictions in spelling and pronunciation. For instance, "I tied your present with a ribbon in order to present it to you." "I had a wound on my finger when I wound the clock." And how about the silent k in knife or knee? Then we have words from other languages, such as hors d'oeuvres. Isn't that one a killer to pronounce?

In the case of Pfof and Post, the former is the last name of our lovely Thursday Books Again day manager, and the latter is a stick of wood to put in the ground to hold wire to make a fence. Since most everyone knows about posts, allow me to tell you about this special Pfof who is a friend of mine.

Lois Helene Pfof grew up in Coeur D' Alene, Idaho. She moved to Pueblo and began an internship at the State Hospital as a dietitian. After her husband, Don, received his Ph.D. in sociology in Boulder, they moved to Silva, North Carolina. While Lois was raising two girls, she did part-time consulting at nursing homes as a dietitian.

Lois stated, with a laugh, that when they began to sound like true southerners, they started fixin' to move back west to care for aging parents. She returned to

work full time at the state hospital until she retired in 2002. When we volunteers have a bite of lunch at Books Again, it is easy to see that Lois is still practicing her healthful eating habits that she learned by being a dietitian all those years. Way to go, girl!

Lois and her husband joined the Friends of the Library years ago because one of their daughters is a librarian. She always loved to read, so she became involved with the book club discussion group started by Richard Lee. Margaret Benz, a former FOL board member, also belonged to the discussion group, and she suggested that Lois join the FOL board where she is still a valuable member today.

When Books Again first opened, Lois was one of the volunteers helping to get the business off and running. It wasn't long before she had taken over as the day manager on Thursdays. She is also on the Project Selection Committee for the FOL board, helping to decide how to most effectively fund the most urgent projects for the Library District.

Since a post is made of wood, isn't it just a wonderful coincidence that one of this Pfof's hobbies is wood  
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### Friends of the Library Membership Form

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turning! She has her own lathe, making small items such as bird houses, perfume pens, confetti lamps, bowls, and 25 boxes to be given as awards for the Southern Colorado Runner's Club races. This is her relaxation after a long day of work at Books Again.



Lois Pfost working at Book Again.

Lois said she has been married for 44 years, and when asked if that was to the same guy, she grinned and said "uhuh" enthusiastically. Wow! Is that neat or what? Don, her husband, is also involved with Books Again working in the (what else) sociology section. So, should you come shopping at Books Again on Thursdays, just give a big western Howdy to the helpful lady behind the desk so she will know she truly is no longer in North Carolina!