

# News & Events

Of the Pueblo City-County Library District

**JANUARY 2008**

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## Satellite Saturdays

**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  
35777 Iris Rd.

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Students, parents, teachers, principals and community members are invited to celebrate Pueblo City-County Library District's satellite libraries. These public satellite-library collections are made possible through a collaboration between Pueblo School District 70, Pueblo City Schools and PCCLD.

Each day of celebration begins with satellite staffers giving free books to every student who registers. If 20 students from each school attend, their principal, or someone from their school, has to kiss a 300-pound pot-bellied pig named Wilbur.

The day continues with various events throughout Rawlings Public Library. A movie will be shown in the InfoZone (with free popcorn). Listen to a storytime and make unique flip books. Each school will present their own activities including a Dr. Seuss story time and dance, school musicians and more.

Each school will also contribute a panel to display artwork, school projects, poetry, stories and other writings. The panels will be available for viewing on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the library.

Join us in January for all these exciting activities. The school with the most participation receives free prizes. For more information, contact your local satellite library or Barbara Brown, Outreach Services, at 562-5631. Registration starts at 10 a.m. in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor Ryals Room of the Rawlings Public Library.

**Saturday, Jan. 12**

Cesar Chavez Academy & Risley Middle School

**Saturday, Jan. 19**

Avondale, North Mesa, South Mesa, & Vineland Elementary School

**Saturday, Jan. 26**

Beulah, Craver Middle, & Rye Elementary School



*Bilingual storytime at Avondale Elementary School.*



*Wilbur the 300-pound pot-bellied pig modelling a summer reading club shirt.*

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## Events Calendar Jan. 2008

### 1 Tuesday

- All Libraries are closed for New Years Day.

### 2 Wednesday

- Storytellers are on vacation. Storytimes will resume on Monday Jan. 7.
- Bilingual Storytime Barkman 10 a.m.
- Matinee Movie *Hairspray* (PG) Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 3 Thursday

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

### 4 Friday

- Matinee Movie *Evan Almighty* (PG) Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 5 Saturday

- Matinee Movie *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* (PG) Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 6 Sunday

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

### 7 Monday

- Mother Goose Stories Rawlings 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Literary Discussion Group *A Thousand Splendid Suns* Barkman 7 p.m.

### 8 Tuesday

- Time for Tots White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Teen Movie Night Barkman 3 p.m. Call 562-5680 for more information.
- Kids Korner *Cowboy Program* White 4 p.m.
- Teen Scene - Foil Sculptures Rawlings 7 p.m. Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

### 9 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.

### 10 Thursday

- Preschool Storytime White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Pajama Mother Goose Rawlings 6:30 p.m.



## Getting Ready for 2008

by Jon Walker

Information technology is a critical part of the modern public library. A comprehensive two-year 556-page study, funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the American Library Association, titled *Public Libraries and the Internet* (September 2006 and July 2007) found a "successfully networked public library provides high quality traditional library services as well as networked services . . . such as Internet access, email, chat, online reference, subscription databases, and other web-based services." The study also said public libraries must "continue to enhance their public access computing and Internet access services" and provide a "continual cycle of upgrades and enhancements."

At the Pueblo City-County Library District, we definitely see the need. Last year, 272,067 people used library computers; and so far in 2007 we have recorded a 3.7% increase in usage compared to last year. Plus libraries are no different than most other organizations—the way we operate our business is highly dependant upon technology for almost everything we do including procuring new books and other library materials, registering patrons, checking out materials, and so on.

This is why we have been working diligently for the past several months on a comprehensive plan for updating information technology at the library. To date, this work has included an assessment and recommendations from the Denver-based technology consulting firm GTRI, leadership from library Information Technology manager Desmond Grant and other staff, and guidance from the Board of Trustees.

Broadly speaking, the assessment shows four technology needs facing the Library including upgrading to a faster wide-area network and Internet services, improving library network equipment, updating to modern PCs, and implementing a new, more robust telephone system.

The specific needs are documented in various studies conducted on behalf of the library, including a detailed analysis

by GTRI. In addition, we are receiving budgetary cost projections for solutions from firms such as Cisco Systems, Nortel, Extreme Networks, Foundry Network Products, Avaya Phone Systems, Unite Private Networks, Dell, Gateway, HP and others. Based on quotes received to date, the PCCLD's current cost estimate for implementing a comprehensive technology upgrade plan over a two year period in 2008 and 2009 is \$605,152.

There are various assumptions in the cost total. For example, the wide-area network pricing assumes the library continues to participate in the federal program which reduces telecommunications costs by 75 percent. The library recently filed the paperwork for ongoing participation in this program. It should result in annual savings of about \$50,000. Another example is PC costs. We assume library expenses to replace PCs will be ameliorated by the recent \$70,200 Bill and Melinda Gates Opportunity Online Hardware Grant.

In recent weeks, we have been working on a timeline for implementing the technology upgrade plan and a way to pay for it. Fortunately, we have a fully-funded Capital Projects Fund Library Replacement Plan to help.

There are funds available in 2008 within the Replacement Plan totaling \$479,000 for technology. There is an additional \$80,000 available in the Replacement Plan for 2009. Replacement Plan monies plus an additional \$70,200 from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation brings the total available funding over the two-year period to \$629,200. It is proposed that the Library District use funds available from the Replacement Plan and the Gates Grant to pay for implementation of the technology upgrade project in 2008 and 2009.

The costs are high, but the impact should be dramatic. It is critical for today's public libraries to offer modern information technologies. As the ALA/Gates study found: "Public libraries continue to provide important public access computing and Internet access in their communities."

*You may reach Jon Walker, Pueblo City-County Library District Executive Director, by calling (719) 562-5633.*

# Beyond the Book

Jan. 2008



The Pueblo Friendship Pow Wow Association presents to a group of more than 100 people in December.

## NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY

Native American Heritage Day was celebrated at the Rawlings Public Library on Dec. 1. Pueblo Friendship Pow Wow Association, Pueblo Aztec Dancers and Beadwork by Connie Garcia provided a look at the culture and traditions of Native Americans. More than 150 people attended the day's programs.



Pueblo's Aztec Dancers treated the crowd to a show during Native American Heritage Day at the Rawlings Library in December.



Beadwork demonstration by Connie Garcia.



Patrons hear about Native American culture at the library in December.

### 10 Thursday

- Teen Stories  
*The Mist* by Stephen King  
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

### 11 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.

### 12 Saturday

- Satellite Saturdays  
Cesar Chavez Academy & Risley Middle School  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Matinee Movie  
*Toy Story (G)*  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### 13 Sunday

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

### 14 Monday

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

### 15 Tuesday

- Computers 101  
White 8 a.m.  
Please call 562-5660 to register.
- Time for Tots  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

### 16 Wednesday

- Bilingual Storytime  
Barkman 10 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime  
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- Movie Night  
*Spring & Chaos*  
White 7 p.m.

### 17 Thursday

- Preschool Storytime  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Pajama Mother Goose  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.

### 18 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.

### 19 Saturday

- Satellite Saturdays  
Avondale, North Mesa, South Mesa, Vineland Elem.  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Matinee Movie  
*2001: A Space Odyssey (G)*  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

Jan. 2008

**19 Saturday**

- Independent Film  
*Adam's Apples*  
Rawlings 7 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> floor

**20 Sunday**

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

**21 Monday**

- All libraries are closed for Martin Luther King Day.

**22 Tuesday**

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

**23 Wednesday**

- Bilingual Storytime  
Barkman 10 a.m.

**24 Thursday**

- Preschool Storytime  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Pajama Mother Goose  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- Teen Stories  
*The Mist* by Stephen King  
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

**25 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.

**26 Saturday**

- Satellite Saturdays  
Beulah, Craver Middle,  
Rye Elementary  
Rawlings 10 a.m.  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Matinee Movie  
*Alice in Wonderland* (G)  
Rawlings 2 p.m.  
InfoZone - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

**27 Sunday**

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

**28 Monday**

- Mother Goose Stories  
Rawlings 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos  
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Safe Driving Class  
Rawlings 5 p.m.  
Thurston Room

**29 Tuesday**

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

**30 Wednesday**

- Bilingual Storytime  
Barkman 10 a.m.
- Safe Driving Class  
Rawlings 5 p.m.  
Thurston Room

**31 Thursday**

- Preschool Storytime  
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Pajama Mother Goose  
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.

## Barkman book-discussion group

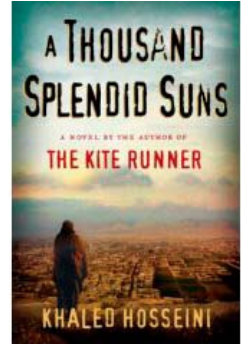
Monday, Jan. 7 at 7 p.m.

*A Thousand Splendid Suns*  
by Khaled Hosseini

Barkman Public Library  
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Born a generation apart and with very different ideas about love and family, Mariam and Laila are two women brought jarringly together by war, by loss and by fate. As they endure the ever escalating dangers around them-in their home as well as in the streets of Kabul-they come to form a bond that makes them both sisters and mother-daughter to each other, and that will ultimately alter the course not just of their own lives but of the next generation. With heart-wrenching power

and suspense, Hosseini shows how a woman's love for her family can move her to shocking and heroic acts of self-sacrifice, and that in the end it is love, or even the memory of love, that is often the key to survival. For more information, call 562-5680.



February Selection

Monday, Feb. 4

7 p.m.

*Team of Rivals*

by Doris Kearns Goodwin

## Safe driving class

Monday, Jan. 28 from 5 to 9 p.m. and  
Wednesday, Jan 30 from 5 to 9 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library

100 E. Abriendo

Thurston meeting room – 1<sup>st</sup> floor


Safe Driving is an 8-hour classroom refresher course for experienced motorists age 50 and older. The program, which was developed by AARP, addresses the physical changes that can affect driving ability and behavior and ways to compensate for those changes. The curriculum also is designed to remind drivers of skills and techniques they once learned but perhaps fail to use regularly, and to update drivers on the rules of the road.

SAFE DRIVING teaches drivers about the normal, age-related changes that interfere with vision, hearing, and physical strength that typically influence driving ability and attitudes, and the impact of medications when driving. Certified AARP instructors will teach the class.

Colorado rewards safe drivers with automobile insurance savings. Insurance companies have varying requirements. There will be a \$10 charge for the booklet and a three-year certification of attendance.

Registration is free and limited to 20. Call 562-5606 to register.



 All libraries are closed on  
Monday, Jan. 21 for Martin  
Luther King Day.

# Playing this month @ your library



## Movie fun at the InfoZone

Looking for something fun to do during the Holiday Break? Come to the InfoZone News Museum and enjoy a matinee movie almost daily during the break from school.

Don't forget our regular Saturday matinees as well. All screenings are at 2 p.m., and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

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

### Holiday Break Movies:

- Hairspray* (PG)  
Wednesday, Jan. 2
- Jungle Book* (G)  
Thursday, Jan. 3
- Evan Almighty* (PG)  
Friday, Jan. 4
- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* (PG)  
Saturday, Jan. 5
- Toy Story* (G)  
Saturday, Jan. 12
- 2001: A Space Odyssey* (G)  
Saturday, Jan. 19
- Alice in Wonderland* (G)  
Saturday, Jan 26

## Independent film series @ the InfoZone

***Adam's Apples***  
directed by **Anders Thomas Jensen**  
**Dark Comedy - Denmark, English subtitles**  
**Saturday, Jan. 19 at 7 p.m.**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**  
**InfoZone Theatre - 4<sup>th</sup> floor**



Ivan is an insanely optimistic preacher who takes in convicts to help around the remote, rural church he ministers to. His current charges are a psychotic Saudi immigrant addicted to robbing gas stations and an alcoholic tennis pro convicted of sexual assault. His newest "helper" is Adam, a vicious neo-Nazi anxiously biding his time before he can return to hell-raising. Grasping the extent of Ivan's

crazed, preternatural determination to look on the bright side of everything - Adam immediately decides to shake him out of his rose-colored stupor.

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).



## White Library Movie Night

***Spring & Chaos***  
**Wednesday, Jan. 16 at 7 p.m.**  
**White Public Library**  
**298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.**  
**Pueblo West**

*Spring & Chaos* is an anime about a Japanese poet. This

film is suitable for ages 10 and up. All those in grades 6-12 are invited to attend this free movie, and we will discuss starting an anime club at the White Library. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 562-5660.

## Friends Members

### Benefactor

Sandra Cunningham  
Milton Davison  
Mr. & Mrs. Ansel Gower  
Mrs. Ruth M. Robinson  
Shirley Weindling

### Gold

Catherine K. Anderson  
Syble Croley  
Yolanda Hoffman  
Douglas & Rose Marie Knight  
George & Elaine Laue  
Leo T. & Jean A. McDonald  
Janna McLean  
Mary A. Proudfoot  
Annette Warfield  
Eva Whitmore

### Family

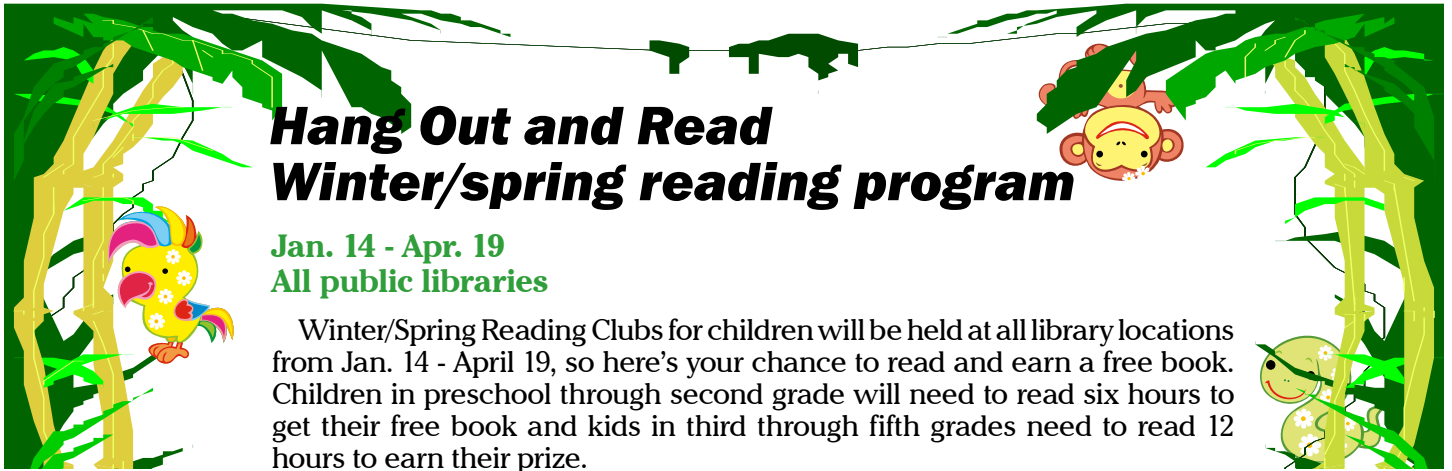
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David & Cynthia Becker  
John & Elaine Blinn  
Charles & Georgine Booms  
Wayne, Geneva & Collette Davis  
Col. Richard Hallock  
Don & Betty Johnson  
Frank & Sheila Lee  
Dr. & Mrs. David E. Morton  
Caroline Parsley  
Margaret & Norman Smith  
Gene & Chris Tapia  
Bob & Creta Trevithick  
Bruce & Sheila Wagner

### Individual

Mary Lou Abernathy  
Martha Barnett  
Amy Bissell  
Jim Clinkingbeard  
Mary Colletti  
Elinor Gent  
Cathie Graeser  
Tara Griffin  
Pat Hamann  
Harvey G. Herzog  
Carl A. Jurie  
John E. Korber  
Carol McGraw  
Marge Mastrini  
Shirleen Neu  
Marina Probst  
Gail Rhodes  
Stephanie Richter  
Karen Rivas  
Dorothy Roberts  
Dee Rogers Brown  
Janie Roper  
Irene Sillox  
Clint Smith  
John Elvans Smith  
Prosperita R. Trujillo  
Barbara M. Walsh  
Mrs. Bettie Wilson  
Judith Wodishek

Additional names will be printed in February.

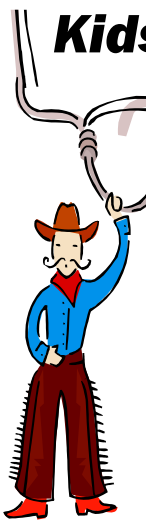
# Kids' Page



**Hang Out and Read**  
**Winter/spring reading program**

**Jan. 14 - Apr. 19**  
**All public libraries**

Winter/Spring Reading Clubs for children will be held at all library locations from Jan. 14 - April 19, so here's your chance to read and earn a free book. Children in preschool through second grade will need to read six hours to get their free book and kids in third through fifth grades need to read 12 hours to earn their prize.



**Kids Korner Cowboy Program**

**Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 4 p.m.**  
**White Public Library**  
**298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.**  
**Pueblo West**

Kids will make their own horse, dress up like cowboys and cowgirls, decorate their own cowboy hat, and participate in a mini rodeo. Those in grades K-5 are invited to attend this free event. For more information, call 562-5660.

**New storytime**  
**starting in**  
**January!**

**Preschool Storytime**  
**Tuesdays Starting Jan. at 10:30**  
**Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 E. Abriendo Ave.**

This storytime will be based on guidelines established by Every Child Ready to Read @ Your Library curriculum for three, four and five year old children. Call 562-5603 for more information.

## Pueblo Girl essay contest

Write an essay about the woman you want to be and what you will do to become that woman.

700 words or less. Fourth & Fifth Grade Girls  
Entries due Friday, February 8.  
Awards Ceremony will be March 7.

**Grand Prize:** An American Girl Doll  
**10 Runner-up Prizes:** American Girl Books

**Submit entries to:**  
Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Avenue  
Pueblo, CO 81004

For additional information, please call 562-5606.



# 2008 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 7 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 8, 2008 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 562-5606.



## Fun and games at the library



Friends gather at the library to do more than checkout books. These men brought their game to the library in December for day of fun.

# Teen Scene . . . . .

## Teen Movie Night

Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 3 p.m.  
Barkman Public Library  
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

This program is free and open to students in grades 6 - 12. For the movie title and more information, please call 562-5680.

## Foil Sculptures

Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 7 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
Ryals Room - 4<sup>th</sup> floor  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Create foil action figures or sculptures and display your art for all to see in Teen Central. Open to grades 6-12.



## Science Online database

It's time to start thinking about Science Fair projects... PCCLD offers Science Online, an award winning database that includes more than 1000 science experiments covering key principles in science. The experiments are indexed by subject category, grade range and time required. Each experiment begins with a summary, if it is an individual or group experiment, if adult supervision is required and what setting is appropriate for the experiment – home or school. The experiments can be printed out or emailed and the citations are included. Science Online also has recently added videos to complement the biographies, definitions, diagrams, timelines and the National Science Education Standards the database already has.

Science Online can be accessed from anywhere with an internet connection, including the library. It is located at [www.pueblolibrary.org](http://www.pueblolibrary.org). Click on the "Search" tab, then click on the "Search Electronic Resource" link. Science Online is the last link under the Science and Nature category.

## Teen stories @ Barkman Public Library



*The Mist* by Stephen King  
Thursday, Jan. 10 & 24 at 7:30 p.m.  
Barkman Public Library  
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

The storm rolled across Long Lake in Maine with a fury, leaving David Drayton and his family with fallen trees, downed power lines, and no electricity.

At his wife's request, David heads to the local supermarket to stock up on supplies,

taking his young son and neighbor along for the ride.

But the strange white mist that lingered on the lake has followed them to town, stranding them all in the store because something in the fog is taking people -- and you can hear their screams.

This event is free and open to teens in grades 5-8. For more info, please call the Barkman Library at 562-5680.





# Youth Writing Contest

For students in  
grades 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>

## The theme for 2008.....Write an adventure story!

It can be an ...

- adventure of the natural world
- historical fiction adventure
- humorous adventure
- romantic adventure
- adventure with a puzzle to be solved.
- ??????

### Prizes:

First place: Gift certificate to Books Again, the Friends of the Library used book store, Certificate of Merit, and story printed for the Friends Annual Meeting

Second place: Gift certificate to Books Again and a Certificate of Merit.

Third Place: Gift certificate to Books Again and a Certificate of Merit.

All 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners will be honored at the Friends of the Library Annual Meeting.

### Entry Due Date:

Entries are due on Thursday, Jan. 31, 2008. Winners will be notified by March and invited as Guests of Honor to attend the Friends Annual Meeting at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library.

### Mail or deliver entries to:

c/o Friends of the Library  
Youth Writing Contest  
100 E. Abriendo Avenue  
Pueblo, CO 81004

The Friends of the Pueblo City-County Library District invite students in grades 3 - 12 to enter an adventure short-story writing contest. Entries will be judged in the following categories.

3<sup>rd</sup> grade, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 5<sup>th</sup> grade  
6<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, 8<sup>th</sup> grade  
9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> grade  
11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade

Entry forms  
available at all  
library locations.



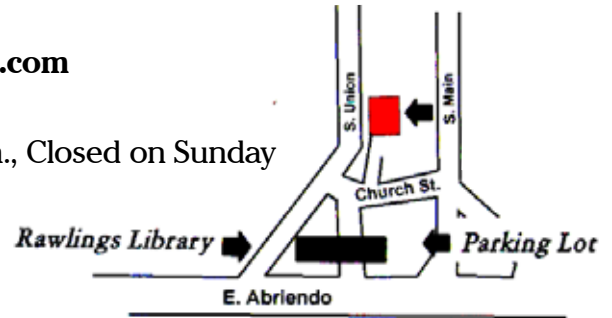
Shop at Books Again used bookstore  
(719) 543-4688 \* [booksagain@msn.com](mailto:booksagain@msn.com)

622 S. Union Ave.

Hours: Open Mon. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Closed on Sunday

A New Year is here and it is Inventory Time!

Why don't you go through your personal library and donate any books that you no longer need to Books Again? And if you are missing something that you wish to read, just come on down and we will try to find just what you want. Remember that we receive new donations every day, and tomorrow some one may bring in just what you need! Besides, Books Again is a neat place to spend some time just browsing. You never know what you might find tucked away in a corner some where!



## Free computer-classes

### Computers 101

Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 8 a.m.

White Public Library

298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd. ~ Pueblo West

Computer novices will get a chance to master the mouse, learn the parts of a computer, and try out Microsoft Word and Internet Explorer in this free class. Seating is limited. Please call 562-5660 to register. This class is free and open to the public.



## Thank you for your service, Joyce!



Joyce Vigil (center of top row) is honored by library staff and board members at the December board meeting. Vigil is leaving the board after more than four years of service. Vigil was president of the board for three years and was recognized as the Outstanding Board Member of the Year by the Colorado Association of Libraries. Under Vigil's leadership, the library's summer reading program was voted best in Colorado in both 2005 and 2006 by the Colorado Association of Libraries. Additionally, the district was selected by community members in 2006 as the best public-service agency according to a Denver-based Ciruli Associates poll and it moved into the top 25% of libraries nationally in rankings by the Hennen American Public Library Ratings.

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



There are two basic reasons our used book store, Books Again, has been such a big success; first our books are donated to us from the Pueblo City-County Library District and by hundreds of citizens of our wonderful community. And second, our equally wonderful corps of volunteers who operate the store. But wait a minute, none of those donated books would be neatly arranged and sorted on our shelves without the volunteers. No one would be in the store to check out customers without our volunteers. No one would be there to introduce you to the store and help you find that special book you are looking for without our volunteers. So, really it is the volunteers who are the key to our success. Without them our donated books would be a just huge mountain of boxed books, as they used to be a few years ago, waiting for an annual sale to happen.

So, this month at the beginning of 2008, I want to salute those many dedicated Friends of the Library Volunteers who have given more than 100 hours of service in 2007 to our store. These are the people who keep the lights on, the books sorted, the money counted, the floors swept, the special sales days happening and customers coming back:

Shirley Anderson	Dick Moran	Bill Arnot	Terrye Oliva
Margaret Benz	Lois Pfoz	Connie Converse	Gail Rhodes
Robert DeYarman	Edna Shoaf	Erik Duran	Jim Stuart
Cathy Graeser	John Tappen	Bea Jones	Melanie Tappen
Marvin Jones	Wanda Toepper	Marilyn Kristan	Barbara Tuttoilmondo
Virginia Madrill			

Thanks to these terrific folks and the 20 plus additional volunteers who also helped us out during our best year ever 2007, by dedicating over 6,000 hours of service to Books Again and the Friends of the Library.

## **And we do solemnly swear...** **by Edna Shoaf**

Happy New Year to one and all! May 2008 be the best year that you have ever had, especially since it is here rather or not you were ready for it. I do hope that your Christmas was merry and bright, and that you did not eat too much turkey and pumpkin pie. So, now 'tis time to make those New Year's Resolutions!

Several of the members of the Friends Board and volunteers at Books Again have been searching their brains to find something upon which they can improve. This is a difficult task because those folk are already extremely capable people. But they know that I will nag and nag until I get what I need, so here are some of the comments.

Jim says that he wants to get the Friends membership rolls transferred to Books Again and to be more responsible to the Membership. He wishes to let everyone know more about what is happening with the Friends and our many projects.

Melanie, Books Again Manager, was positive that no more books were going to be moved around - permanent places have been found for every category. (I am not sure about that one!) She also stated that we would be having no more BIG remodeling projects. (We will remind her of that next December.) She also said that she would like to make it possible to average \$6,000 every month. Wow! What we could do for

the library district with that kind of income. Another resolution for Melanie is to begin selling rare and old books on the internet.

Terrye, Wednesday's store manager, wants to say the price of books aloud as she rings them up on the cash register. She will also remember to ask if the customer is a member of the book club for Books Again, and she promises to tell more people about the store. For herself, she stated that she has to stick to her retirement budget. (I hear you, Terrye, but there are so many pretty shoes out there!)

Virginia will try to remember to tell everyone she knows about the great deals that we have at Books Again and what a lovely store it is. Marve says that we should all embrace the alphabet so we can find books easier and quicker. Now, that is a thought, Marve, but when I am in a hurry sometimes I forget! I think, if I am not mistaken, that is called a "senior moment."

All right, I guess it is my turn, if you insist. I will always be at Books Again to take my turn at keeping books in the right place on Tuesdays. Even if I can't stay all day, I will be there. I have adopted the Arts and Crafts section, so if anything is out of order, you can yell at me. And during this brand new year, please remember that life is not about how fast you run, or how high you climb, but how well you bounce!

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*Pueblo photographer Louisa Hansen donates Chance of Showers to the Pueblo City-County Library District.*