

News & Events

Of the Pueblo City-County Library District

January 2009

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Happy 20th birthday Satellite Libraries!

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

Satellite library locations:

Avondale Elementary
947-3047
213 Hwy. 50 E.
Beulah School
485-3129
8734 Schoolhouse Ln.
Craver Middle School
676-3850
4850 Crow Cut Off
Cesar Chavez Academy
586-9199
2500 W. 18th St.
North Mesa Elementary
948-2551
28881 Gale Road
Risley Middle School
549-7449
625 N. Monument Ave.
Rye Elementary
489-2272
8120 Hwy. 165 W.
South Mesa Elementary
543-0738
23701 E. Preston Rd.
Vineland Elementary
948-2633
35777 Iris Rd.

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Saturday, Jan. 24
10 a.m. to noon
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Satellite Library program! There will be photos and articles from the past and displays and information about future programs. Enjoy activities for all ages throughout the library.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Cathy Fox at (719) 948-2551.

Special Events:

- North Mesa students performance of a Skippyjon Jones skit.
- Risley school band performance and presentation.
- Friendly, live dogs that children can read to.
- Visit with Wilbur the 300 pound pot-bellied pig.
- Student displays about what Satellites have meant to them.



Cheerleaders perform at a Satellite Saturday in 2008.



Kids read at a Satellite Saturday event in 2008.



Katryna Fredregill and her reading dog Chardonay listen to a child read.

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Events Calendar Jan. 2009

1 Thursday

- All libraries are closed for New Years Day.

2 Friday

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

3 Saturday

- Matinee Movie
Star Wars: The Clone Wars (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

4 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is Open 1 - 5 p.m.
- Matinee Movie
Star Wars: The Clone Wars (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

5 Monday

- Mother Goose Stories
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Barkman book discussion group
A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains by Isabella Bird
Barkman 7 p.m.

6 Tuesday

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

7 Wednesday

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

8 Thursday

- Pajama Mother Goose
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday Night Musicals
The King's Birthday Viva Las Vegas (NR)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

9 Friday

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

10 Saturday

- Matinee Movie
Veggie Tales: The Pirates That Don't Do Anything (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor



What's New for 2009

by Jon Walker

My, how time flies! It is now 2009, and the Pueblo City-County Library District has several new initiatives in store to better serve you. All these are set forth in the district's 2009 Annual Plan and Budget. This document is posted online at www.pueblolibrary.org. Here is a selection of some of the new things planned for 2009:

- A library is only as good as the collection of books and other materials it offers the public. In 2009, access to a broader selection of titles will be improved by implementing a more effective and efficient way to buy books.

- When there is a book we do not have, we occasionally borrow it for our customers from another library outside Pueblo County and vice versa. We call this Inter-Library Loan, and in order to help make certain our service is top-notch, PCCLD's current holdings will be updated in the national union catalog used by libraries all over the world as a resource to know where to borrow from and lend materials to one another.

- It is not uncommon for a new, bestselling-book to frequently be tied up on hold. Even though PCCLD generously buys multiple copies of most bestsellers, you sometimes wait months for your turn. In order to improve your chances of getting that book when you're browsing library shelves, we will start a new program in 2009 whereby some copies of a hot title will be reservable, and others will go onto the shelves when returned from checkout. This will help increase availability to customers browsing shelves. In addition, checkout periods for popular new books will be reduced so more customers have access.

- Great libraries have great buildings that are comfortable and conducive to reading and study. The library district will open two new buildings in 2009. Early in the year, the newly expanded Pueblo West Library opens. At 28,000 square feet, this library will be more than five times larger than the current library. Later in the

year, a small public library will open at the new YMCA campus.

- The library district not only provides access to books, but to other formats including DVD movies and audiobooks on CD. In 2009, we plan to begin offering a great new service with downloadable audiobooks. These are audiobooks you can download to your personal computer day or night from the PCCLD web site. You will be able to play these downloadable audiobooks on your computer or a portable MP3 player. All you will need is a library card!

- More and more PCCLD libraries are becoming community cultural centers. In 2009, we want to keep growing our award-winning summer reading program and offer our 5th Annual All Pueblo Reads series. In addition, we have received a generous grant from the Rawlings Foundation and plan to use it to develop and commence updating the InfoZone Museum at the Rawlings Library.

- 2009 also will see the library district reaching out to the community in novel ways. The new Books a la Cart service will be a library on wheels delivering library materials to underserved neighborhoods in a specially-equipped PCCLD van.

- We will establish the new R.M. Watts Vocation & Business Center. This service will be based at the Pueblo West Library and will provide specialized library and information services plus staff to assist businesses and those seeking to improve their economic standing.

- More than 20,000 people log-on to PCCLD public-access computers in a typical month. One new initiative customers will notice in 2009 is the replacement of all computers, meaning our customers will enjoy the most current computing technologies.

As you can tell, 2009 will be another great year at the Pueblo City-County Library District as we strive to make our libraries as responsive as possible to our customers.

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

Books & Beyond @ your library: Pueblo West Library progress



Pueblo City-County Library District plans to open the doors of the expanded Pueblo West Library in early 2009. At 28,000 square feet in size, this library will be more than five times larger than the previous library in Pueblo West. There will be several meeting rooms, a children's area and much, much more! Look for more information in the coming month about the official grand-opening celebration date and time.



Jan. 2009

11 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is Open 1 - 5 p.m.
- Matinee Movie *Veggie Tales: The Pirates That Don't Do Anything* (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

12 Monday

- Mother Goose Stories
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- "Hot Topics" discussion group
Motherhood Manifesto
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

13 Tuesday

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

14 Wednesday

- Mother Goose Stories
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- Bilingual Story Time
Barkman 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Preschool Story Time
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Teen Scene: Come Celebrate Chinese New Year
Barkman 3:30 p.m.

15 Thursday

- Pajama Mother Goose
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday Night Musicals
Mama Mia (PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

16 Friday

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

17 Saturday

- Matinee Movie
The Jungle Book (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Independent Film
Days and Clouds
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

18 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is open.
- Matinee Movie
The Jungle Book (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- *Capt. Jepp and the Little Black Book* book signing featuring author Flint Whitlock
Rawlings 3:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Jan. 2009

19 Monday

- All libraries are closed for Martin Luther King Day.

20 Tuesday

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

21 Wednesday

- **Mother Goose Stories**
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Story Time**
Barkman 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Book to a Movie club**
Persepolis
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

22 Thursday

- **Reference USA demo & luncheon**
Rawlings 11:30 a.m.
Ryals room - 4th floor
Call 562-5606 for reservations.
- **Pajama Mother Goose**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Thursday Night Musicals - Chicago (PG-13)**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

23 Friday

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

24 Saturday

- **Happy 20th Birthday Satellite Libraries!**
Rawlings 10 a.m.-noon
- **Matinee Movie**
Nanny McPhee (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

25 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is open.
- **Matinee Movie**
Nanny McPhee (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

26 Monday

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

27 Tuesday

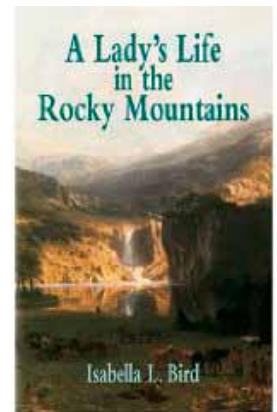
- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Movie Night**
Hancock (PG-13)
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Barkman book-discussion group

Monday, Jan. 5 at 7 p.m.

***A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains* by Isabella Bird**
Barkman Public Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

In 1873, a middle-aged Englishwoman toured the Colorado Rockies on horseback — alone, for the most part. Painting an intimate portrait of the “Wild West,” Bird wrote eloquently of flora and fauna, isolated settlers and assorted refugees from civilization, vigilance committees, lynchings, and the manners among the men she encountered in the wilderness. This event is free and open to the public. For more information about the Barkman book-discussion group, please call (719) 562-5680.

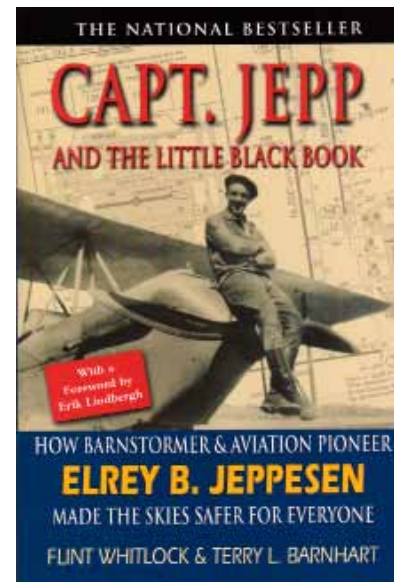


Capt. Jepp and the Little Black Book **book signing featuring author Flint Whitlock**

Sunday, Jan. 18 at 3:30 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Meet and greet one author of this national best seller and 2008 Colorado Book of the Year. *Capt. Jepp and the Little Black Book* was written about the 1930s airline pilot who created the famed aerial navigation system still in use today. This system saved his life and the lives of countless fellow pilots. Come to this fascinating book signing and discussion! Co-sponsored by the Pueblo Weisbrod Aircraft Museum.



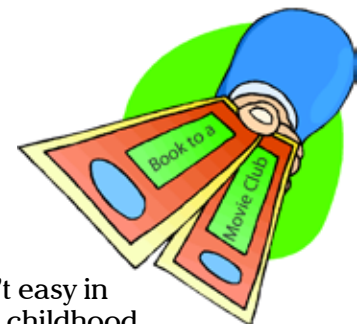
Book to a Movie Club

Persepolis

Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

Join us for a movie based on a book. The selection for January is *Persepolis*. Marjane (voiced by Chiara Mastroianni) just wants to be an ordinary kid, but that isn't easy in 1978 Iran. This profound animated film follows Marjane's childhood in a repressive society, her adolescence in France and return to Tehran as an adult. Based on Marjane Satrapi's autobiographical novel, this Oscar nominee for Best Animated Feature film also features the vocal talents of Catherine Deneuve and Simon Abkarian. This event is free and open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are. For more information, please call (719) 553-0205.



Playing this month @ your library

Matinee movies @ 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 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo. All movies shown are free!

Star Wars: The Clone Wars (PG)
Saturday, Jan. 3 & Sunday, Jan. 4

Veggie Tales: The Pirates That Don't Do Anything (G)
Saturday, Jan. 10 & Sunday, Jan. 11

Independent film series @ the InfoZone

Days and Clouds
Directed by Silvio Soldini
Drama - Italy; English subtitles
Saturday, Jan. 17 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor



Well-to-do, sophisticated couple, Elsa and Michele, have a 20-year-old daughter, Alice, and enough money for Elsa to leave her job and fulfill an old dream of studying art history. After she graduates, however, their lives change. Michele confesses he hasn't worked in two months and was fired by the company he founded years ago. Elsa overcomes her initial shock by pouring extra energy into facing the crisis while Michele, exhausted by an unsuccessful job hunt, lets himself go,

alternating between vivacity and apathy. The growing distance between them eventually leads to a break-up. Only when they are apart do they realize that they risk losing their most precious possession: the love that binds them. *Days and Clouds* is an award-winning drama from Italy.

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

Thursday night Musicals @ the InfoZone

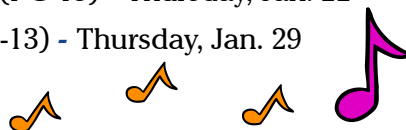
Resolve to enjoy a musical in 2009 on the big screen of the InfoZone Theatre. All screenings are at 6:30 p.m., and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are. The InfoZone Theatre is located on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo. All movies shown are free!

The King's Birthday - Viva Las Vegas (NR) - Thursday, Jan. 8

Mama Mia (PG-13) - Thursday, Jan. 15

Chicago (PG-13) - Thursday, Jan. 22

Rent (PG-13) - Thursday, Jan. 29



Jan. 2009

28 Wednesday

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

29 Thursday

- **Pajama Mother Goose**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Thursday Night Musicals - Rent** (PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

30 Friday

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

31 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
Kitt Kittredge: An American Girl (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

All
libraries
will be
closed on
Monday,
Jan. 19
for
Martin
Luther
King, Jr.
Day.



Outstanding Women's Awards: Accepting nominations now!

Pueblo City-County Library District is now accepting nominations for the Outstanding Women's Awards. All community groups are welcome to participate. The purpose of the program is to record and promote the role women have played in Pueblo's history.

The nomination criteria is simple. The woman must be a resident 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. The awards will be presented during

Women's History Week, at the Outstanding Women's Awards luncheon on Friday, March 6 at noon.

Nominations must be received by Friday, Feb. 6, 2009 at 5 p.m. Nominations may be mailed or delivered to the Community Relations Department at the PCCLD's Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004.

Nominations may also be e-mailed to contests@pueblolibrary.org. If you have questions, please call (719) 562-5606.



The outstanding women honored in 2008 at the Rawlings Public Library.

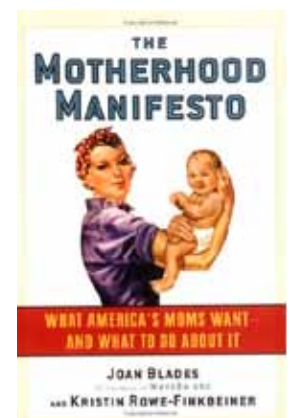
“Hot Topics” discussion group

Motherhood Manifesto
Monday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

Did you know that there are 380 day care slots for children 2-years-old and under in Pueblo? Pueblo County has 6,331 children, ages 2 and under. In 2010, it is projected that there will be 6,924 children aged 2 and under. And, in 2015, there will be 7,679 children in that same age category.

Join us for a screening of *Motherhood Manifesto* and then join Dawn DiPrince and Jayne Mazur for a discussion about important issues related to working mothers in Pueblo.

This event is free and open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are allowed. For more information, please call (719) 553-0205.



Kids' Page

Winter/Spring Reading Clubs Jan. 5 - April 25

The Winter/Spring Reading Clubs for children will be held at all library locations from Jan. 5 through April 25 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 grades 3-5 need to read 12 hours to earn their prize.

Ask a staff member for your reading log and pop open a good book today! This club is free and open to kids.



Pueblo Girl Essay Contest

Young ladies of Pueblo, this is your chance to write an essay about the woman you want to be and what you will do to become that woman! Tell us about your future and you could win an American Girl Doll.

Girls in grades 4 and 5 are asked to write an essay on the above-mentioned topic in 700 words or less. **Entries are due Friday, February 6.** The winner will be invited to collect her prize and be honored on March 6 at the Rawlings Public Library.

Grand Prize: An American Girl Doll

10 Runner-up Prizes: American Girl Books

Please submit entries to:

Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Pueblo, CO 81004

Entry forms are available at all library locations. Please call (719) 562-5606 for more information.

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2008 Pueblo Girl Essay Contest winner, Haley Ingram, shows off her American Girl Doll, grand prize at the awards luncheon held at the Rawlings Library.

Teen Scene

Teen Movie Night

Hancock (PG-13)
Tuesday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Academy Award® nominee Will Smith stars in this action-packed comedy as Hancock, a sarcastic, hard-living and misunderstood superhero who has fallen out of favor with the public. When Hancock grudgingly agrees to an extreme makeover from idealistic publicist Ray Embrey his life and reputation rise from the ashes and all seems right again--until he meets a woman with similar powers to his and the key to his secret past.

This event is free and open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are. For more information, call (719) 562-5603.

Come Celebrate Chinese New Year

Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 3:30 p.m.
Barkman Public Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Come enjoy Chinese treats and trivia! 2008 was the year of the rat. What is the 2009 animal? What animal of the zodiac are you?

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call (719) 562-5680.



What Freedom Means to Me Pueblo Medal of Honor Foundation Essay Contest for students in grades 4 - 12

Entry Due Date:

Entries are due on Friday, Feb. 27, 2009. Winners will be notified in March.

Each entry must comply with these guidelines:

- Subject: "What Freedom Means to Me."
- Length: 500 word minimum, 700 word maximum for grades 4 - 5.
- 1,000 word minimum, 1,200 word maximum for grades 6 - 8.
- 1,000 word minimum, 1,200 word maximum for grades 9 - 12.
- Provide 1 copy of entry with entry form stapled on top.
- All entries must be typed.

Judging:

Entries will be submitted to the Pueblo City-County Library District. Final judging will be done by the Pueblo Medal of Honor Foundation Judging Committee. First, second, and third places will be awarded in each category.

Prizes (in each category):

- First place:** \$100 and a certificate.
- Second place:** \$75 and a certificate.
- Third Place:** \$50 and a certificate.

Mail or deliver entries to:

Pueblo City-County Library District, c/o Medal of Honor Essay Contest, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004

If you have any questions, or need more information, please contact: Paulette Stuart at (719) 404-2776 or e-mail: pstuart@chieftain.com.



Write a Discovery Story

Youth Writing Contest For students in grades 3-12

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

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

Due date: January 31, 2009.

It can be a ...

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



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

“Something more exciting than could be imagined!”

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

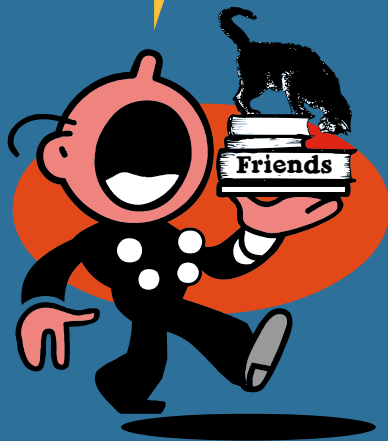
**obvious compatible characteristics
exactly future beneficial**

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

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

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shelves or:

- 3,905 linear feet of books
- 1,302 linear yards
- 1.2 kilometers
- ¼ league
- 13 football fields

Computer Tutoring Available

A computer tutor will be available to assist with special projects and individual computer instruction on Saturday, Jan. 10 & Saturday, Jan. 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rawlings Library in the 3rd floor training room and Mondays from 5 to 7 p.m. Please sign up at the reference desk on the 2nd floor. Walk-ins are welcome if space is available after those who have registered are seated. Please call (719) 562-5601 for more information.



Health Reference Center database

Is your New Year's resolution to become more healthy by exercising more and eating less? Our Health Reference Center database offers information on how to be successful with your resolutions. Health Reference Center has sections on Women's Health, Men's Health, and Seniors' Health – each with specific information on exercise and diet & nutrition for that group. The Nutrition and Wellness section offers over 147 images and videos, including videos on how to cook healthy foods, how to read food labels and understanding the new food pyramid. Always consult with your doctor before beginning a new eating or exercise program.

To access Health Reference Center and our other online medical resources, go to www.pueblolibrary.org, click on "Online Resources," click on "Health & Medical" and then click on "Health Reference Center." If using this resource from outside of the library, you will need to enter your library card number when prompted.



Reference USA demo & free luncheon

Thursday, Jan. 22 at 11:30 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals room - 4th floor

Need marketing and sales tips for your business? Join Bob Zielinski for a presentation of this new database available at the Pueblo City-County Library District. Learn how to effectively find answers to your business questions. This event is free and open to the public. Please RSVP by Jan. 20 to (719) 562-5606. For more information about this event or database, please call (719) 553-0213.

Friends of the Library president's corner

by Jim Stuart

What a great year the Friends of the Library have had in 2008. Our bookstore has set a new annual sales record. While we don't have the final sales figure at the time I am writing this, it is going to be close to \$84,000, which amounts to an increase of \$7,000 or about 10% over 2007. I think this increase was due to many factors; diversity in advertising, better sales events, word of mouth, better organized book displays and great volunteers. In addition to the terrific things going on at the store the "Friends" had three informational kiosks designed, fabricated and installed in the Rawlings Library, and one for the new Pueblo West Library expansion is done and ready to go in the new library when it opens. We also funded

all our usual events and a number of new things requested through our Project Selection Committee. All in all I would have to say it was pretty much a banner year for us. Now our challenge is to make 2009, which by the way is our 49th year of serving the Library District, even better. You can help us make this happen by renewing your membership in the "Friends", perhaps even at a higher level than you have before, or if you are not a member by joining our great organization. And, for all of you who have already renewed your memberships thank you so much for supporting our mission.



Come Along on a Tour with Me

by Edna Shoaf

Now that the holiday season is over, how about something different to think about and rest your poor frazzled brain. In these days of high prices, we can run a lot of errands in one trip. We will begin at 1300 Jerry Murphy, site of the Frank and Marie Barkman Library. Nip inside, check out a book or two or three, then cross the street and fill up your car with gas at the Phillips station. Pick up the newspaper, if you don't have yours delivered, then on down the street to Walgreens where there is usually a sale on for something. Angle across the street and drive in to either McDonald's or Wendy's to read your paper while you have a nutritious lunch. Very efficient, wouldn't you say?

So, what did you think of Barkman while you were there? You didn't notice much because you were in a hurry to get your books? Well, now, we can't have this! Barkman is an incredible place! So, hie thee back up Bonforte, turn left at the light and then into the large parking area. I'll bet you didn't even notice the lovely park that the library faces. Hurry, now, because we have things to see and lovely people to meet. Just follow the yellow and green paw prints and in we go. Why paw prints? Well, duh, this is the Barkman Library!

First, say hello to Arnold, the lovely tropical plant at the left side of the foyer. (We know his name because he holds a sign that says, "Hi, I'm Arnold".) Arnold, who won the blue ribbon for best of show at the state fair before being donated to the library, shares this area with three other lovely green plants and an information stand which contains lots of material, including News and Events. On one wall is an old-fashioned coin wall phone which actually works, at least I got a dial tone. Just past this nice entry and to the left you will see a glass case containing a fabulous display of nutcrackers from the collection of employee Mary Kratz. (The contents of this case probably change from time to time according

to the season of the year, but I didn't ask.) Take a moment to look around and just enjoy the view. In front of you is the long checkout counter where several employees were busy. A tall bookcase is topped with numerous stuffed animals, and there are also stuffed animals on the counter and scattered around the room. Steve greeted me and then introduced me to Amy Phillips, the fairly new Supervising Librarian. (You will certainly hear more about her later.) To the left is a reading area with easy chairs and tables. Magazine racks cover one wall and the beginning of the fiction shelves is on the other side of this section.

Looking back across a number of computers you will notice a neon sign saying, "Teen Central", obviously where young adult books are found, and further on are large blocks stretched across the ceiling that spell out "Kids Corner". Finally, at the end of the room are large windows across the end and around the corner to the left. Laura, an employee since October of 1990, told me that there is always a lovely view looking out on the park with snow in the winter and green grass and trees in the summer.

Another employee, Nancy, showed me around the Kids Corner, explaining how they change books in an old trunk on the floor to coincide with the holidays. They also have their traditional Christmas tree decorated with stuffed puppy dogs, dog tags, chew bones, and other puppy toys. (Remember that we are in Barkman?) There is an absolutely enormous collection of children's books, fiction and nonfiction, DVD's, videos, and tapes.

There, now, aren't you glad that we came? This is just a perfectly wonderful library, small in area but huge in heart! Loved it, I did! Now, thank the nice people, and go on and check out some books - you can have more than one, don't you know!

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