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9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
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562-5670
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562-5660
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562-5600
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213 Hwy... 50 E.
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Downloadable audiobooks are here!

In response to requests from many of our customers for audiobooks that can be downloaded through the library's website, the Pueblo City-County Library District is excited to unveil our new Downloadable Audiobook collection. Due to a generous donation by the Friends of the Library and the hard work of Kay Zimmerman Loeber, Electronic Resources Librarian, our customers may now access over 2,000 fiction and non-fiction eAudiobook titles.

To access this new collection, use your personal computer and head to the library's website at www.pueblolibrary.org then click on the new "Downloadable Audiobooks" link. The Downloadable Audiobooks page will walk you step-by-step through your first download or you can use it later as a reference.

Here are the guidelines for checking out downloadable audiobooks:

* You can listen to eAudiobooks on your

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* eAudiobooks will not operate properly if you attempt to download them to library computers.

* You may have a maximum of ten eAudiobook titles checked out at one time.

* The checkout period is 3 weeks and the eAudiobooks cannot be returned early. If you have the maximum number of items checked out, you will have to wait until one or more of your current titles have expired before you can check out additional selections.

* If you have any problems with your computer or media player, contact the manufacturer or NetLibrary support at 1-800-848-5800.

SPEAK with teen-book author Laurie Halse Anderson



**Tuesday, Jan. 12,
2010 at 5:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library
InfoZone - 4th floor**

Meet popular teen author, Laurie Halse Anderson! She is the author of *Speak*, *Winternights*, *Prom*, *Fever 1793* and more. Join us for a Skype virtual chat with the author, who will talk briefly about her books and writing. A question/answer period will follow.

Halse Anderson's first novel, *Speak*, was a National Book Award Finalist, a Michael L. Printz Honor book, a *New York Times* bestseller and an American Library Association Best Book for Young Adults. In

2005, the movie version was released. In addition to novels, Halse Anderson writes chapter and picture books. She received the Margaret A. Edwards Award, given by the American Library Association for significant and lasting achievement in young adult literature, in 2009.

Bring your friends, have fun, meet an author and enter a drawing to win autographed books! This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call Sarah Wethern at 553-0207.

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Events Calendar Jan. 2010

1 Friday

- Storytellers are on vacation until Monday, Jan. 4.

2 Saturday

- Matinee Movie
Recess: School's Out (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

3 Sunday

- Matinee Movie
Recess: School's Out (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

4 Monday

- **Mother Goose Stories**
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **The Spellbinders are coming!**
Rawlings 1 p.m.
Thurston room - 1st floor
- **Barkman book-discussion group**
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time by Mark Haddon
Barkman 6:30 p.m.

5 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Anime Club**
Pueblo West 4:30 p.m.
- **Teen Flick Fest**
Lamb 6 p.m.
- **Watts Up @ Pueblo West Library Resolution 2010: Snap Into Fitness**
Pueblo West 6 p.m.

6 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.
- **Start the New Year "Write"**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
Thurston room - 1st floor

7 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Pajama Mother Goose**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Thursday night movies**
Julie and Julia (PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Anime Club**
Lamb 7 p.m.

8 Friday

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



2010: A Brand New Year by Jon Walker

2009 has been a busy year for the Pueblo City-County Library District. Record numbers of people are visiting libraries. More library materials are being checked out than ever. Attendance at library programs and events is at the highest level in the history of the Library District.

The increase in use could be a sign of the dire straits of the economy. Studies show that when the economy is bad, use of libraries increases. However, this may be something more than just the economy. The upswing in public-library use has been going on for awhile. Indeed, the Pueblo City-County Library District has seen growing usage every year since 2005.

I predict that 2010 will be another good year for the library. We have set for ourselves several objectives for the new year to help ensure that this is so. I would like to describe two of these objectives in this article.

First, we want to be smarter about how library collections are built. This includes working with more effective tools--such as specialized software applications and computer-generated reports--to help our librarians better understand what books and other library materials are no longer useful in our collections. This will allow us to systematically remove those materials to make room for materials that people want to use.

We also want to increase the amount of money we spend to procure the best new books and other library materials, and we want to spend these dollars more wisely by better analyzing and understanding how the collection of materials is being used.

To this end, a group of librarians has been assigned the task of working with special software and reports to improve our examination of collections, use of materials, and to improve our collection development processes. I would like to identify these librarians and commend them for taking on this task. They are Isobel Drysdale who works to improve our collections of books for youth; Abby Koehler who oversees collections in non-book formats, such as audio and video; and Rich Poll who supervises development of collections for adults.

The second 2010 objective I want to discuss in this article is upgrading the library's online presence. In today's world, people expect to be able to conduct business online on the Internet. This is true for the library just as it is other services.

We already provide the library catalog on the World Wide Web. You can reserve books online, renew checkouts online, read archived periodical articles online, among other services. Moving forward, we want to build on these kinds of capabilities to create a whole host of online library services so that customers can access the library 24 hours a day, seven days a week from the comfort of their home, office or school. We plan to hire a web manager in 2010 who will oversee the overhaul to the library's web presence.

With these and other initiatives in the works for 2010, I truly believe the new year promises to be very positive for the Pueblo City-County Library District.

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The Barkman, Lamb, Library @ the Y,
Pueblo West and Rawlings
public libraries will be closed
on Monday, Jan. 18
for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Books & Beyond @ your Library

Jan. 2010



Winners from the fourth annual Youth Writing Contest at the awards ceremony in November.



A crowd of family, friends and educators gathered to honor the winners of the Youth Writing Contest in November.



A young customer at Barkman Library created a comfortable reading environment in the children's area for a few stuffed friends.

Do you have fun photos that you took at the library or at a library event? If you'd like to share them with us, they could be printed in the Books and Beyond section of the library's monthly newsletter.

Please email your high-resolution jpg file to tabitha.davis@publolibrary.org.

8 Friday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Story Time**
Rawlings 11 a.m.
- **Beginning Internet**
Rawlings 2:30 p.m.
Training room - 3rd floor

9 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
The Powerpuff Girls Movie (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Watts Up @ Pueblo West Library**
Resolution 2010: Snap into Fitness
Pueblo West 2 p.m.

10 Sunday

- **Matinee Movie**
The Powerpuff Girls Movie (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

11 Monday

- **Mother Goose Stories**
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **The Spellbinders are coming!**
Rawlings 1 p.m.
Thurston room - 1st floor
- **Anime Club**
Pueblo West 4:30 p.m.
- **Hot Topics discussion group**
The Cove (PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

12 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Movie Night**
Up (PG)
Barkman 3 p.m.
- **SPEAK with teen author Laurie Halse Anderson**
Rawlings 5:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Teen Scene: Duct Tape Art**
Lamb 7 p.m.
- **Family Story Time**
Pueblo West 7 p.m.
Story time room

13 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.
- **Community Cinema**
Garbage Dreams (NR)
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

14 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Scene: Dragons**
Pueblo West 4:30 p.m.

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14 Thursday

- Pajama Mother Goose Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday night movies *The Da Vinci Code* (PG-13) Rawlings 6:30 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor

15 Friday

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

16 Saturday

- Children's Corner: *Curious George's Snowy Day* Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- Matinee Movie *Clifford's Really Big Movie (G)* Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor
- Independent Film *Arranged (NR)* Rawlings 7 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor

17 Sunday

- Matinee Movie *Clifford's Really Big Movie (G)* Rawlings 2 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor

18 Monday

- All Libraries closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

19 Tuesday

- Time for Tots Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Anime Club Pueblo West 4:30 p.m.
- Teen Scene: *Life-sized Monopoly* Rawlings 7 p.m. Bret Kelly room - 1st fl.

20 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.
- Clay for Kids Pueblo West 4 p.m. King room A
- Book to a Movie Club *Angels and Demons* (PG-13) Rawlings 6:30 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor

21 Thursday

- Preschool Story Time Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Pajama Mother Goose Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday night movies *Public Enemies (R)* Rawlings 6:30 p.m. InfoZone - 4th floor

The Spellbinders are coming!

Mondays, Jan. 4, 11 & 25

1 to 2:30 p.m.

Rawlings Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Thurston Room - 1st floor

People come to the library for stories, true or imagined, every day. Now you can learn to be a better storyteller yourself - or just come to listen.

Two members of Spellbinders, a national nonprofit group, are teaming up with your library to promote intergenerational storytelling. The Pueblo chapter needs you. Coaches Jane Milne and Nina Dockery will be with us every Monday from 1 - 2:30 p.m., starting January 4. Adults should come with a story they would like to bring to life: family legends, folktales, tall tales, spooky stories, funny incidents, travelogues, etc.

What a fun, informative way to learn how to tell a good story and get feedback so you can cast a spell of your own. Help us keep the fine art of this oral tradition alive. For more information, please call 562-5624.



"Hot Topics" discussion group

The Cove (PG-13)

Monday, Jan. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Rawlings Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

The Cove is directed by the experienced National Geographic photographer Louie Psihoyos, who sets about to uncover a shocking (but regular) ritual on the Japanese coast: the herding and slaughter of thousands of bottlenose dolphins in the town of Taiji. A few dolphins are saved during this process, and sold off to aquariums so they can perform in water shows. The rest are crowded together and--away from prying eyes--stabbed to death, their meat sold as food. It's not that this mass killing is secret, exactly, but the fishermen of Taiji have done a proactive job of keeping cameras and other observers from getting a good look.

A discussion will follow the movie. This event is free and open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information please call 553-0205.



Religion: A brief look at the past 2,000 years

Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m.

Rawlings Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

One cannot discuss the evolution of civilization without looking at the influence religion has had on it. The past two thousand years have seen religions and their impact on society ebb and flow. This talk will take a look at the three major world religions and how they have interacted over the centuries and how they might evolve as time moves forward.

This event is free and open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information please call 553-0205.

Playing this month @ your library

Matinee movies @ the InfoZone

January is a perfect month to come and watch a movie in the state-of-the-art InfoZone Movie Theatre. 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 Ave. All movies shown are free!

Recess: School's Out (G)

Saturday, Jan. 2 &

Sunday, Jan. 3 at 2 p.m.

The Powerpuff Girls Movie (PG)

Saturday, Jan. 9 &

Sunday, Jan. 10 at 2 p.m.

Clifford's Really Big Movie (G)

Saturday, Jan. 16 &

Sunday, Jan. 17 at 2 p.m.

Community Cinema

Garbage Dreams (NR)

by Mai Iskander

Wednesday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m.

Rawlings Library

InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

The Zaballeen recycle trash they collect, but now a multi-national corporation threatens their livelihood. Follow three teenage boys who will make choices that impact the survival of their community.

The film is free, and public seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, please call 562-5604. Co-sponsored by CSU-Pueblo.

Independent film series @ the InfoZone

Arranged (NR)

Drama - USA in English

Saturday, Jan. 16 at 7 p.m.

Rawlings Library

InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

Rochel is an Orthodox Jew, and Nasira a Muslim of Syrian origin, both teachers at a public school in Brooklyn. They also have something else in common – they are going through the process of getting “arranged marriages.” With both family pressure

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG)

Saturday, Jan. 23 &

Sunday, Jan. 24 at 2 p.m.

Cats and Dogs (PG)

Saturday, Jan. 30 &

Sunday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m.

Thursday night movies

Visit the InfoZone Theatre on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Library to watch one of these films each Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in January. The films are free, and public seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Julie and Julia (PG-13)

Thursday, Jan. 7

The Da Vinci Code (PG-13)

Thursday, Jan. 14

Public Enemies (R)

Thursday, Jan. 21

The Proposal (PG-13)

Thursday, Jan. 28

on the one hand, and the rejection of traditional values by the outside world on the other, Rochel and Nasira will have to rely on each other and their friendship to pull through this difficult time of their lives.

The film is free, and public seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call 562-5604.



Jan. 2010

21 Thursday

- Anime Club
Lamb 7 p.m.

22 Friday

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

23 Saturday

- Matinee Movie
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

24 Sunday

- Matinee Movie
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

25 Monday

- Mother Goose Stories
Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- The Spellbinders are coming!
Rawlings 1 p.m.
Thurston room - 1st floor

26 Tuesday

- Time for Tots
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Anime Club
Pueblo West 4:30 p.m.
- Teen Movie Night
Speak (PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

27 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.
- Make your own beads
Pueblo West 4 p.m.
- Latino author read & book discussion
Rawlings 6 p.m.
Ryals room - 4th floor
- Religion: a brief look at the past 2000 years
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

28 Thursday

- Preschool Story Time
Pueblo West 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Pajama Mother Goose
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday night movies
The Proposal (PG-13)
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

29 Friday

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

Jan. 2010

Latino-author read and book discussion

29 Friday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Bilingual Story Time**
Rawlings 11 a.m.

30 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
Cats and Dogs (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor
- **Intro to Word 2007**
Rawlings 2:30 p.m.
Training room - 3rd floor

31 Sunday

- **Matinee Movie**
Cats and Dogs (PG)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th floor

Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 6 p.m.

Rawlings Library
Ryals Room - 4th floor

The library is launching a Latino-author read and book discussion group. The group will have a choice of two books, or you are welcome to join both discussions. The books are *Albuquerque* by Rudolfo Anaya and *Loving Pedro Infante* by Denise Chavez. At the first event, a video showing *A Conversation with Rudolfo Anaya* will be shown. The book discussion for *Albuquerque* will be held on Sunday, Feb. 28 at 3 p.m.

To accompany the book *Loving Pedro Infante*, one of Pedro Infante's movies will be shown in the InfoZone on Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. The book discussion on *Loving Pedro Infante* will be held on Wednesday, March 10 at 6 p.m. For more information, please call Charlene Garcia Simms at 553-0234.



Barkman book-discussion group

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time by Mark Haddon

Monday, Jan. 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Barkman Library

1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Christopher John Francis Boone knows all the countries of the world and their capitals and every prime number up to 7,057. He relates well to animals but has no understanding of human emotions. He cannot stand to be touched. And he detests the color yellow.

This improbable story of Christopher's quest to investigate the suspicious death of a neighborhood dog

makes for one of the most captivating, unusual, and widely heralded novels in recent years. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 562-5680.

Plan ahead! Next Discussion:

Never Cry Wolf by Farley Mowat
Monday, Feb. 1 at 6:30 p.m.

Book to a Movie Club

Angels and Demons (PG-13) based on the book by Dan Brown

Wednesday, Jan. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library

100 E. Abriendo Ave.

InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

Join us for a movie based on a book. The January selection is *Angels and Demons*. In Ron Howard's thrilling follow-up to *The Da Vinci Code*, expert symbologist Robert Langdon (Tom Hanks) follows ancient clues on a heart-racing hunt through Rome to find the four Cardinals kidnapped by the deadly secret society, the Illuminati. With the Cardinals' lives on the line, and the Camerlengo (Ewan McGregor) desperate

for help, Langdon embarks on a nonstop, action-packed race through sealed crypts, dangerous catacombs, and the most secretive vault on Earth! 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 553-0205.



Start the New Year "Write"

First group: Wednesday, Jan. 6 at 7 p.m.

Rawlings Library ~ Thurston Room, 1st floor

The Rawlings Library is proud to announce the formation of a writer's group. Anyone who is currently working on fiction or creative nonfiction is cordially invited to become part of our writer's interest group. Members will gather to share tips on writing, publishing, and marketing their work. If you are a writer, join us for creative support and inspiration.



Free computer classes @ your library

Beginning Internet
Friday, Jan. 8 at 2:30 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Training Room - 3rd floor

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. This class requires basic keyboard and mouse skills.

Intro to Word 2007
Saturday, Jan. 30 at 2:30 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
Training Room - 3rd floor

This class introduces students to the new ribbon-based Word 2007 program. It covers the most common tabs, groups and commands. This course requires basic keyboard and mouse skills.

Registration is required. Please call 562-5601 to reserve your spot.

Computer Tutor: A computer tutor will be available to assist with special projects and individual computer instruction at Rawlings Library. Schedule a free help-session with Mike at the 2nd floor service desk Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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. 5, 2010 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 2009 at the Rawlings Public Library.

Kids' Page

Children's Corner: Curious George's Snowy Day

Saturday, Jan. 16 at 10:30 a.m.
Lamb Library
2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.

Listen to a fun story, play some curious winter games, dance like a monkey and take home a special monkey craft, too! Ages 3-5 years with caregiver. Please call 562-5670 for more information.



Clay for kids

Wednesday, Jan. 20 at 4 p.m.
Pueblo West Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
King Room A

Learn how to make your own clay, and have fun working on your own creations. Kids in grades K-2 are invited to this free event. Call 562-5660 for more information.

Make your own beads

Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 4 p.m.
Pueblo West Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
King Room A

Make beads from clay and paper, and learn how to make different items with them. Kids in grades 3-5 are invited to this free event. Call 562-5660 for more information.

Family story time

Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m.
Pueblo West Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Story time room



Enter into a winter wonderland for this family story time. Listen to snow filled stories, sing songs, make wintry crafts, and enjoy other activities. The whole family is invited to attend. For more information please call 562-5660.

"Chews" a Good Book

Jan. 4 - April 30
Winter/Spring reading club
All library locations

The Winter/Spring reading clubs for children will be held at all library locations from Jan. 4 - April 30 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.

Ask a staff member for your reading log and start reading!

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 5.** The winner will be invited to collect her prize and be honored on March 5 at the Rawlings Public Library.

Grand Prize: An American Girl Doll

10 Runner-up Prizes: American Girl Books

Please submit entries to:

Rawlings Library
c/o Community Relations Dept.
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Pueblo, CO 81004

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

Teen Scene

Duct-tape art

Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m.
Lamb Library

Come and join us for an evening of fun! Make a simple duct tape wallet, reinforce your backpack, or create a sophisticated and creative prom attire: a tie or a rose- the choice is yours. All supplies except clothing provided. Please call 562-5670 for more information.

Dragons

Thursday, Jan. 14 at 4:30 p.m.
Pueblo West Library

Bring your friends and come celebrate the most glorious of mythical creatures: the Dragon. There will be activities, fun and snacks! We will sculpt, build and make dragons of all sorts. Bring your favorite dragon or dragon book to share. Fire-breathing dragons outside only, please. Call 562-5660 for more information.

Teen movie nights

Teen Flick Fest (all movies rated PG-13)
Tuesday, Jan. 5 at 6 p.m.
Lamb Library

Round up your friends every month for a free movie, popcorn, soda and fun. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 562-5670.

Up (PG)
Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 3 p.m.
Barkman Library

Up follows the uplifting tale of 78-year-old balloon salesman Carl Fredricksen, who finally fulfills his lifelong dream of a great adventure when he ties thousands of balloons to his house and flies away to the wilds of South America. This event is free and open to the public.

Speak (PG-13)
Tuesday, Jan. 26 at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Library
InfoZone - 4th floor

“Speak” unfolds a story about Melinda, a smart and spirited high school freshman who retreats into self-imposed silence after she is raped one night at a party.

Life-sized library Monopoly

Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Library
Bret Kelly Room - 1st floor

It's Monopoly all grown-up. Will Team Thimble, Team Dog, or Team Wheelbarrow buy up the most properties? Playing on a big game board, teens will be able to play this classic board game, with new book inspired trivia and facts. Do not stop and do not pass go until you come to this exciting event. Questions? Call teen librarian Sarah Wethern at 553-0207.

Anime Clubs

Tuesday, Jan. 5, 11, 19 & 26 at 4:30 p.m.
Pueblo West Library

Come hang with Pueblo West's coolest otaku teens! For more information, please call 562-5660.

Thursdays, Jan. 7 & 21 at 7 p.m.
Lamb Library

Ten reasons to attend anime meetings at the Lamb Library: magnificent movies, fun, friends, popcorn, soda, latest titles, discussions, news and networking! We'll watch episodes of popular animes and talk about manga. For more information, please call 562-5670

Pixels for Pizza

Teen Winter/Spring
reading program
Jan. 11 through April 30

Teens: Pick up a winter reading game log at any library location and start reading. If you complete your card by April 30, you will receive a special ticket inviting you to a readers' only pizza and video game party.

Don't forget to recommend a book on the back of your reading game log because the most creative review could earn you a special prize.



Start reading now to join in on the pizza and video game parties in May.

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Trustee Talk by Marlene Bregar

January is always a time of reflecting on the year past and looking forward to the year ahead. The Pueblo City-County Library District has many exciting events for reflection. The year 2009 began with the opening of the Pueblo West Library addition in March and ended with the Colorado Library Association "Library of the Year" award in November. In between are so many events and accomplishments that trying to make a list would ensure that I leave something out! The Board of Trustees has been honored to be a part of the events and accomplishments and would like to express their heartfelt "Thank You!" to all of the members of the administration and staff of the library district for their commitment and hard work during the past year.

And now we look forward to 2010 and beyond with our strategic plan. The library district is fortunate to have widespread support in the community as we strive to provide information services to our public. We have made a commitment to continue providing those services, even in these times of general economic difficulty. Our library administration is to be commended on their faithfulness to maintaining the financial strength of our district and for their commitment to keeping the Board of Trustees informed, at our work sessions and regular board meetings, of up-to-date financial information on current and projected revenues. They are also to be commended for the work they have done in preparing the strategic plan, gathering input and working diligently and faithfully to prepare this document. All of the staff, board members and community members who have taken the time to thoughtfully contribute are sincerely appreciated.

I would encourage each of you to take a look at our strategic plan, "Moving Ahead/Building a Community of Readers." The plan contains information on the demographics of our library district, a comparison of our district to peer districts, the results of our focus groups and community survey (conducted in 2009) as well as information on computer technology and personnel. The final section contains our strategic goals for the future. In the coming years, our focus will be in the following areas: Increasing circulation, improving information technology, expanding services to the underserved and considering additional financial resources. Join us in the effort to "Move Ahead and Build a Community of Readers" in the Pueblo City-County Library District.

Watt's Up @ Pueblo West Library

**Resolution 2010: Snap into Fitness
Tuesday, Jan. 5 at 6 p.m. &
Saturday, Jan. 9 at 2 p.m.
Pueblo West Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.**

If you think you need to exercise for hours every day in order to get in shape, think again. The folks at Snap Fitness in Pueblo West will explain the benefits of exercise and nutrition for people of all ages, and dispel the myths surrounding health and fitness. If you've resolved to make 2010 the year to get in shape, here's a great introduction. If you haven't, now's a great time!

Please call or email to reserve a spot: Cindy Shimizu 562-5667 or Cindy.Shimizu@pueblolibrary.org. This session is free and open to the public.



Friends of the Library president's corner

by Jim Stuart

Wow! What a year our used bookstore, Books Again and the Friends of the Library had in 2009. While at this writing I don't as yet have the final sales figure for the store for 2009 it certainly will be very close to \$110,000. This will be an increase of around \$25,000 over 2008. I remember when we first opened the store in July of 2005 we dreamed of breaking the \$100,000 sales figure and wondered if that would be possible. Well, here we are 4½ years later, and low and behold we have gone racing right through that milestone. Thanks to you, our fantastically loyal customers and the constant stream of new folks who come through our doors every day, for making this possible. And, of course, as I mentioned last month, a big thanks goes to the dedicated volunteers who do everything they can to entice you to buy more books.

The success of the store has also led to the highest

number of memberships in the Friends of the Pueblo Library District in over six years. We now have in excess of 700 members.

Now everyone at the store has to try to figure out just how we can make 2010 even better.

Please don't forget our "MADay", that stands for Member Appreciation Day sale which is an exclusive 50% off everything in the store sale for Friends Members only. And, remember that is 50% off our already low 75% off prices. It is being held on Saturday, February 6th. That means most paperbacks will be around \$1 and most hardbacks \$3. If you are not a "Friend", or know someone who is not and would like to take advantage of this once a year exclusive sale, no problem, just come in that day, join up and get the biggest and best book bargains anywhere.



Don't Miss It!

Friends of the Library

MADay

Member Appreciation Day at Books Again

February 6th

10am - 4pm

For Friends members

only, all books in the store at 50% off our already very low prices.

Not a member of the Friends? No problem just drop-in on the sale day, join the Friends and take advantage of this once a year special exclusive sale for Friends Members.

Almost all our like-new books normally sell for 75% off the original retail price, so you will be able to get two hardbacks for around \$6 or two paperbacks for around \$2.



Behind Rawlings Library. Enter off of Church Street
719-543-4688

Vintage art... days gone by

January 1 through 31
Photographer Ilee Smith
Pueblo West Library
Art Gallery
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

Ilee Smith is a wife, mother and Colorado native. Her mind thinks in pictures, seeing the world unfolding one snapshot at a time.

Her collection includes many different prints that represent days past, and will invoke a nostalgic feel. The works are in sepia and black and white, with some decolorized to show detail.



Photo shown is Dear John by Ilee Smith

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PCCLD Celebrates Black History Month

**Chautauqua performance featuring
Hasan Davis as Angus Augustus Burleigh
Friday Feb. 5 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
Ryals Room - 4th floor**

Colorado Humanities and Pueblo City-County Library District will celebrate Black History Month by co-sponsoring *Black History Live*, featuring Hasan Davis, a noted Kentucky poet, scholar, storyteller, youth advocate, and Chautauquan (a portrayal of legendary and historical characters).

In addition to being a performer, Davis holds a Juris Doctorate, serves on the Federal Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, and owns his own business, Empowerment Solutions, focusing on youth development.

This year, Davis will portray Angus Augustus Burleigh, a 19th century ex-slave, soldier and scholar who went on to become an acclaimed black educator and minister.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 562-5605.