

News & Events

MARCH 2005

PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

Hours & Locations

Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sunday (Rawlings Library Only)
1 – 5 p.m.

Internet: www.pueblolibrary.org

Robert Hoag Rawlings
Public Library
562-5600
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Barkman Branch - 562-5680
1300 Jerry Murphy Road

Lamb Branch - 562-5670
2525 South Pueblo Boulevard

White Branch (Pueblo West)
562-5660
298 South Joe Martinez Blvd.

Community Satellites:
Avondale Elementary - 947-3047
213 Hwy. 50 East

Beulah School - 485-3127
8734 Schoolhouse Lane

Colorado City - 676-3162
4705 Santa Fe Drive

Hyde Park - 586-9199
2500 W. 18th Street

North Mesa Elementary
948-2551
28881 Gale Road

Risley Middle School - 549-7449
625 N. Monument Avenue

Rye Elementary - 489-2275
8120 Highway 165 W

South Mesa Elementary
543-0738
23701 E. Preston Road

Vineland Elementary - 948-2633
35777 Iris Road

If special assistance is
needed, please call 562-5600.

Jon Walker, Executive Director

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To the Ends of the Earth A Genealogical Symposium March 18 & 19, 2005

By Midori Clark

The Pueblo City-County Library District is pleased to partner with the Bessemer Historical Society to co-sponsor a high-quality genealogical symposium.

To the Ends of the Earth will be held primarily at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Avenue, and will feature genealogical experts from around the country.

The featured speaker is Henry Z. Jones, Jr. His dinner lecture at La Renaissance on March 18 at 5:30 is called *How Psychic Roots Became an "Unsolved Mystery,"* the same name of his bestseller, now in its sixth printing.

Jones will share stories about the adventures he encountered while working on

the NBC-TV dramatization of his book. He will also relate even more amazing, serendipitous experiences contributed by genealogists for the sequel, *More Psychic Roots*.

Earlier in the day, Jones will present *When the Sources are Wrong*. The following day, he will present *Tracing the Origins of Early 18th Century Palatine & Other Emigrants*. Both of the presentations will be held at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library.

Other presenters include Steve Frangos, Charlene Garcia-Simms, Rhonda McClure, Virginia Sanchez, and Diana Smith.

Proceeds from the symposium will help the

Bessemer Historical Society preserve its exceptional and rare collection of archives.

Additionally, proceeds will help facilitate the opening of the future *SteelWorks, Museum of Industry and Culture* in Pueblo.

Registration Fees for Friends of the Library Members

\$50.00 one day
\$70.00 two days
\$25.00 Keynote Dinner
with Henry Z. Jones
\$25.00 Guest Dinner
\$7.00 Lunch at Library
Friday
\$10.50 Lunch Lecture
Saturday with
Rhonda McClure

**The registration deadline
is Wednesday, March 16,
2005. No refunds after
Wednesday, March 16.**

For a registration form and complete schedule of workshops, please visit your local library.

For more information about pricing or any other topic related to this event, please call Sarah Isgar of the Bessemer Historical Society at (719) 564-5533 or Midori Clark of the Pueblo City-County Library District at (719) 562-5605.

Midori Clark is the
Community Relations
Manager for the Pueblo City-
County Library District.



Events Calendar March 2005

1 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Really Basic Computer Class**
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.
3rd Floor Training Room

2 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Time for Tots**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **After School with Dr. Seuss**
Barkman 3:30 p.m.
- **Dr. Seuss Birthday Party**
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.

3 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Family Story Time**
Barkman 7:30 p.m.
- **Dr. Seuss Birthday Party**
Lamb 4:00 p.m.

4 Friday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Rawlings 10:00, 10:30 & 11:00 a.m.
- **Women's History Luncheon** - Ryals Room
Rawlings 12:00 noon

5 Saturday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 11:00 a.m.
- **How to Use Automotive Repair Reference Ctr.**
Rawlings 2:00 p.m.
3rd Floor Training Room
- **Dr. Seuss' Birthday Party**
White 10:00 a.m.
- **Matinee Movie Babe**
Rawlings 2:00 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

6 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is Open
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

7 Monday

- **Family Story Time**
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.

Get Ready to Celebrate Pueblo! this Summer

By Jon Walker



Have you noticed that Pueblo continues to get better and better? Evidence of this includes the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk Project; expanding shopping and business opportunities; and new and renovated schools, libraries and museums.

When you add in our clean air and bright sunshine, abundant water, rich history and strong ethnic diversity, clean and safe neighborhoods, friendly people, easy access to mountains and lakes—the possibilities seem limitless.

To showcase our wonderful community, the Library District's InfoZone



Part of the items on display at the InfoZone News Museum.

News Museum, the Rawlings Foundation, the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce and others are collaborating to create a new film—*Celebrate Pueblo!*—in praise of our wonderful community and bright future. The film will focus on our events and festivals, attractions, landmarks, art, education, climate, and more.

Capture It Productions is commissioned to produce this film. Local historian Joanne Dodds is writing the script. Taping has commenced with the premiere to take place in May 2005.

During the past 18 months, The InfoZone has sponsored the making of four movies about Pueblo—*Newspaper Publishing: Then and Now*, *Water: Our Most Precious Resource*, *Pueblo Sports: The People, The Places, The Passion*, and *Pueblo: Steel to Stars*—each with generous support from the Rawlings Foundation.

The films are quality productions by Brad Padula



or Lee Fairchild and are shown extensively in the InfoZone News Museum theatre at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Library, where more than 535,000 people visited in 2004.

The next film - *Celebrate Pueblo!* - will not only showcase our community but will promote it, too.

We will feature the film in the state-of-the-art InfoZone all summer long.

We also are working with local businesses, attractions and media to tie the film to a summer of fun activities in order to encourage children and families to discover our community's fun attractions. This will include significant media coverage, prizes and free passes to explore Pueblo destinations.

To learn more about *Celebrate Pueblo!* and the upcoming summer events to promote the discovery of our community's treasures, visit the InfoZone News Museum at the Rawlings Library or call 562-5604.

Jon Walker is the Executive Director of the Pueblo City-County Library District.

Walker can be reached at (719) 562-5633.



Adult Services

Robert Hoag Rawlings Library Computer Classes

Really Basic Computer Class

- **Tuesday, March 1, 2005 - 7 p.m.**

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

How to Use Automotive Repair Reference Center

- **Saturday, March 5, 2005 - 2 p.m.**

*Basic Internet and computer skills are required. This class will explain how to use this new library database which contains information on most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles, with repair information, wiring diagrams and service bulletins for most vintage makes starting as far back as 1954.



All computer classes will be held on the 3rd Floor of the Rawlings Library in the Training Room.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

- **Tuesday, March 22, 2005 - 7 p.m.**

Basic computer skills are required. This class shows how to use this word-processing program to create various kinds of documents. You will learn how to use the toolbar, set margins, apply spell check, and preview, save and print documents.

Introduction to Microsoft Powerpoint

- **Monday, March 14, 2005 - 7 p.m.**

* Basic word processing skills are required. This class shows how to use this resource to create group presentations and slide shows.

Internet @ the Library

- **Wednesday, March 9, 2005 - 7 p.m.**

This class is designed for people with little or no experience in using the Internet. You will learn to navigate the World Wide Web and use the library's catalog system and online resources.

E-mail 101

- **Saturday, March 12, 2005 - 2 p.m.**

- **Wednesday, March 30, 2005 - 7 p.m.**

This class teaches how to set up a free account and how to use it to send and receive e-mail. Basic Internet skills helpful.

Email: Yahoo & Email: Hotmail classes available by appointment. Call 553-0213.

March 2005

8 Tuesday

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

9 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Time for Tots**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **Internet @ the Library**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
3rd Floor Training Room

10 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Family Story Time**
Barkman 7:30 p.m.
- **Really Basic Computer Class**
Rawlings 10:00 a.m.
3rd Floor Training Room
- **Self Defense for Mothers & Daughters**
Barkman 7:00 p.m.

11 Friday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Rawlings 10:00, 10:30 & 11:00 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

12 Saturday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 11:00 a.m.
- **E-mail 101**
Rawlings 2:00 p.m.
- **Kids Korner**
White 2:00 p.m.
- **Matinee Movie**
Big Fat Liar
Rawlings 2:00 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

13 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is Open 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

14 Monday

- **Family Story Time**
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.
- **Introduction to Microsoft Powerpoint**
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.
3rd Floor Training Room

Computer Assistance & Training Tutors

If you need help using a computer, assistance and training is now available courtesy of experienced Pueblo City-County Library volunteers.

A volunteer is located at the computer pod in

Adult Services on the 2nd floor of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library on Monday evenings from 7:15 - 9:00 p.m. and from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A patron may also request one-on-one

tutoring for their individual computer-learning needs.

Check with the Adult Services desk at the Rawlings Library to sign up with a tutor, or call 562-5601 for more information.

March 2005

Dr. Seuss' Birthday Parties

15 Tuesday

- Time for Tots
White 10:00 & 10:30 a.m.

16 Wednesday

- Preschool Story Time
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- Mother Goose Time
Lamb 10:30
- Time for Tots
Barkman 10:30 a.m.

17 Thursday

- Preschool Story Time
White 10:00 & 10:30 a.m.
- Family Story Time
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

18 Friday

- Preschool Story Time
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Mother Goose Time
Rawlings 10:00, 10:30 & 11:00 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- Dr. Seuss Character Contest Deadline

19 Saturday

- Preschool Story Time
Rawlings 11:00 a.m.
- How to Use Automotive Repair Reference Ctr.
Rawlings 2:00 p.m.
3rd Floor Training Room
- Raja - Independent Film
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Matinee Movie Toy Story
Rawlings 2:00 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

20 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is Open
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

21 Monday

- Family Story Time
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.

22 Tuesday

- Time for Tots
White 10:00 & 10:30 a.m.
- Introduction to Microsoft Word
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.
3rd Floor Training Room

23 Wednesday

- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.

Come celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday with the Library!

After School
with Dr. Seuss
Barkman Library
Wednesday, March 2
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.



Dr. Seuss'
Birthday Party
Rawlings Library
Wednesday, March 2
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Seuss'
Birthday Party
Lamb Library
Thursday, March 3
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Dr. Seuss'
Birthday
Party
White Library
Saturday, March
5
10:00 a.m.



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Dr. Seuss Contest



Create Your Own Dr. Seuss Character Contest

1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Prizes include an art reception and special award.

Runner-Up Prizes: Dr. Seuss Cat in the Hat style hats.

Prize Categories: Kindergarten, First Grade, Second Grade, Third Grade, Fourth Grade, Fifth Grade, Middle

School, and High School

Contest Rules

1. Draw your own Dr. Seuss character and write a brief description of your character.
2. All participants must be residents of Pueblo County.
3. Entries are due Friday, March 18, 2005.
4. Winning entries will be displayed during an art show.

Entry forms are available at all library locations.

Entries may be brought to the Robert Hoag Rawlings Library, Barkman, Lamb or White Branches or mailed to: Pueblo City-County Library District, Atten: Com-

munity Relations Department, 100 E. Abriendo Avenue, Pueblo, CO 81004. Entries may also be emailed to contests@pueblolibrary.org. Born on March 2, 1904, Theodor Seuss Geisel grew up in Springfield, Massachusetts.

As a child, he was an avid reader and loved to draw. While studying at Dartmouth College, he became editor of the college's humor magazine, which published his first cartoon animals that eventually became his book illustrations.

His first book, *And to Think I Saw It on Mulberry Street*, was published in 1937.

Women's History Luncheon

Established in 1990, the Outstanding Women's Award Program was organized by the Women's History Committee to recognize the contributions that women make to the Pueblo community, to establish a historical record of those

activities, and to acknowledge the women for what they have achieved.

Each woman is nominated by a community group that also prepares the nomination form

The awards are presented at a luncheon to be

held:

Friday, March 4 at noon at the Rawlings Public Library . The cost to attend is \$15.00 per person. Please RSVP by March 2 to 562-5606.

Literary Discussion Group



Wicked by Gregory Maguire

March 7, 2005
7:00 p.m.
Barkman Library

Gregory Maguire creates a fantasy world so rich and vivid that we will never look at Oz the same way again.

Wicked is about a land where animals talk and strive to be treated like first-class citizens, Munchkinlanders seek the comfort of middle-class stability, and the Tin Man becomes a victim of domestic violence.

And then there is the little green-skinned girl named Elphaba, who will grow up to be the infamous Wicked Witch of the West, a smart, prickly and misunderstood creature who

challenges all our preconceived notions about the nature of good and evil.

Book discussions are conducted in a casual, open format, with a variety of literature.

Book discussions are open to the public and anyone is welcome to attend.

For more information please contact Renee Tryon at 296-8018, or Carol Rooney at the Barkman Library at 562-5680.

Saturday Matinee Movies at the InfoZone

Saturday Matinee Movies come to the InfoZone big screen!

Catch your favorite stars of the silver screen in some of the most loved, family-friendly films ever made by attending a Saturday movie matinee at the InfoZone News Museum.

Movies begin at 2 p.m. each Saturday in the state-of-the-art InfoZone theater. There is never an admission fee to see a movie at the InfoZone.

Drinks in covered containers are allowed in the theater, but food is not.

Be sure to stop by Java by the Book to grab a refreshing beverage on your way up to the fourth-floor InfoZone theater.

Reservations for the matinee won't be accepted, so come a bit early to make sure you get a seat.

All Saturday matinee screenings will be family-favorite films - movies that are

rated G and PG - from animation to animals, and from sci-fi to spooky.

The following films will be shown in March:

Saturday, March 5 - 2 p.m.
Babe

Saturday, March 12 - 2 p.m.
Big Fat Liar

Saturday, March 19 - 2 p.m.
Toy Story

Saturday, March 26 - 2 p.m.
Princess Bride

InfoZone Movie Night



Independent Film
Raja (French with English subtitles)
Directed by Jacques Doillon of France
Saturday, March 19, 2005

7:00 p.m. - Robert Hoag Rawlings Library
100 E. Abriendo Avenue

Raja is a 19-year-old orphan literally and figuratively scarred by life. Fred is an emotionally bankrupt westerner living amid his plush gardens and palm trees. Set against the backdrop of contemporary Marrakech, *Raja* is a cross-cultural drama about a wealthy middle-aged Frenchman's complex relationship with local youth. Fred's attempts to seduce Raja, and their mutual attempts at manipulation are fractured by their gross disparity of income, age and cultural sophistication.

This movie will be shown free to the public. Seating is limited and is on a first come, first served basis. For more information, call the InfoZone at 562-5604.

March 2005

23 Wednesday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Time for Tots**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.

24 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**
White 10:00 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Family Story Time**
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

25 Friday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Rawlings 10:00, 10:30, & 11:00 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

26 Saturday

- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 11:00 a.m.
- **Matinee Movie**
Princess Bride
Rawlings 2:00 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

27 Sunday

- Rawlings Library is Closed for Easter

28 Monday

- **Family Story Time**
Rawlings 7:00 p.m.

29 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**
White 10:00 & 10:30 a.m.

30 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Time for Tots**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
- **E-mail 101**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
3rd Floor Training Room

31 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**
White 10:00 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Family Story Time**
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

Top Teen Books of 2004

These books were chosen by Teens during Teen Read Week.

Eragon by Christopher Paolini

Pirates! By Celia Rees

Trickster's Choice by Tamora Pierce

Inkheart by Cornelia Funke

A Great and Terrible Beauty by Libba Bray

The Goose Girl by Shannon Hale

Princess in Pink by Meg Cabot

The Earth, My Butt, and Other Big Round

Things by Carolyn Mackler

Other Young-Adult Titles

The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants and *The Second Summer of the Sisterhood* by Ann Brashares

Boston Jane trilogy
By Jennifer Holm

The Giver
by Lois Lowry

Esperanza Rising
By Pam Munoz Ryan

Monster
By Walter Dean Myers

His Dark Materials trilogy (*The Golden Compass*, *The Subtle Knife*, *The Amber Spyglass*)
By Philip Pullman



Youth Services

Best Kept Secrets in Youth Services: Young Adult Novels

By Jane Palmer



In the far northwest corner of the Youth Services Department at the Rawlings Public Library, a treasure of Young Adult (YA) novels may be discovered.

These books serve patrons reading for pleasure, students reading for book report assignments, younger readers looking for more challenging reading, and adults who want a fast, lively read.

Although definitions of young adult novels vary, most often they are thought of as titles for youth from 12-18 years.

Young adult novels are characterized in general by their length (between 200-300 pages), lots of action, and one or more adolescent characters embarking on the road to adulthood.

Popular genres include: romance, mystery, science fiction, fantasy, historical fiction and realistic fiction.

Adolescent issues are explored in these novels. Themes include: coming of age, coping with dysfunctional families, surviving in the wilderness, falling in love, battles between good and evil, and much more.

Forerunners of the young adult novels include such classics as: *Robinson Crusoe* by Daniel Defoe, 1719; *Ivanhoe: A Romance* by Sir Walter Scott, 1820;

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson, 1883; and *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott, 1868.

YA Novels started to come of age in the United States in the 1900s. One of the classic youthful love stories, *Seventeenth Summer* by Maureen Daly, was published in 1943. In 1967, a story which included violence and gang members, *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton, changed the course of YA literature history.

Realistic fiction with complex characters and themes became popular in the 1970s and continues to attract readers today.

The concept of "teenager" and "young adult" and materials for them, evolved over time.

It was not until 1958 that the Young Adult Services Division (now known as Young Adult Library Services Association or YALSA) was created by the American Library Association.

Young Adult novels are chosen by the Pueblo City-County Library District's professional staff. Youth Services Librarian Isobel Drysdale has compiled a few short lists of new and classic young adult novels to highlight notable titles.

Jane Palmer is the Youth Services Supervisor at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library and can be reached at 562-5618.



HOT, YOUNG-ADULT AUTHORS

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T.A. Barron
Caroline Cooney
Margaret Haddix
Will Hobbs
Gary Paulsen

NEW & OLD CLASSICS

Go Ask Alice
by Anonymous
Weetzie Bat
by Francesa Lia Block
The Chocolate War
by Robert Cormier
Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank
The Outsiders
by S.E. Hinton
A Wrinkle in Time
by Madeleine L'Engle
Anne of Green Gables
by Lucy M. Montgomery
The Hobbit, The Fellowship of the Ring, The Two Towers, The Return of the King by J.R.R. Tolkien
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
by Mark Twain
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea by Jules Verne



Friends of the Library

President's Corner

By Jane Milne

"You open doors when you open books!!"

This month we will be honoring one of our own Friends Board Members, Donna Seilheimer, at the Outstanding Women's

Award Luncheon on March 4th.

We also invite you to reserve a spot at our April Annual Meeting. We have a very interesting program awaiting you (please see

details below).

We know you will once again enjoy hearing from our Contributing Editor, Edna Shoaf, who brings us the article, "Are you a Bibliophile?"

The Friends of the Pueblo City-County Library District's Annual Meeting & Colorado History Performance

"A Portrait of Molly Brown"

By Dramatist Barbara Daubenspeck
Historical Vignettes by Gold Star Productions

Thursday, April 14, 2005

Hor d'oeuvres 6:00 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library
Ryals Room, 4th Floor

Dinner: \$15.00 per person

Advanced ticket payment is required.

Call 562-5606 for reservations.

Deadline for reservations is Thursday, April 7, 2005.



In this fast-paced portrayal of the rough-edged, larger-than-life personality of Colorado's own Unsinkable Molly Brown, the true-to-life heroine of the Titanic emerges.

Are You A Bibliophile?

Wow! Is that word a mouthful or what?

So, 'What is a Bibliophile?' you ask. Well, 'tis neither fish nor fowl but a peculiar animal, walking around on two legs, who loves to read and/or collect books.

"Books?" you say.

"There really are people who read books? How quaint! How old-fashioned! With over 150 channels on the TV, who reads books?"

Oh yes, we weird creatures are still around, and we know who we are.

We are guilty of reading everything - including the backs of cereal boxes.

We visit the library; we join groups such as The Friends of the Library or

the new eBook Club being offered on-line by the Pueblo City-County Library District; we actually (gasp) would rather read than watch television, and we even (horrors) buy books!

A true bibliophile never goes anywhere without a book to read.

We have favorite authors, and we can hardly wait for the next book to be published.

We have books stacked here and there waiting to be read, and if someone complains about the mess, we will obligingly shift a stack to another corner of the room.

We haunt used book stores and sales, and we can be seen each October

standing in line early in the morning at the Occhiato Ballroom at CSU-Pueblo, waiting patiently for the huge Friends of the Library annual book sale to open. We push our boxes and tote our bags, crouching on our knees to search through the many boxes on the floor, always hoping for just the right author or title that we don't already own.

Is bibliophilia catching?

It must be when one considers the number of individuals who visit our libraries and who roam through the book sales.

So come give us a try - you might even decide to join us in our eccentricity! Happy reading to all!

—Edna Shoaf

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars now for our Annual Meeting to be held on April 14, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ryals Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Library. We hope to have a good turn out to hear Barbara Daubenspeck present *A Portrait of Molly Brown*. Tickets are \$15 per person. Advanced ticket payment is required. Reservations may be made by calling 562-5606.

On March 4, the 23rd Annual Women's History Award Luncheon will be held at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Library in the Ryals Room. The cost of the luncheon is \$15 per person. Reservations are required and may be made at 562-5606.

The March Board Meeting of the Friends of the Library will be held on Tuesday, March 8 at 12:00 noon in the Rawlings Library. This meeting is always open to the public.

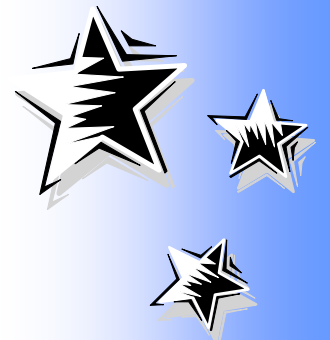
New Members

Francis A. Alexander & family

Joan E. Berg-Bruestle
Memorial by Donald L. Bruestle

Lois A. Byler-Morauski
Sidney & Shirley Skirvin
Simon Tafoya

Ruth Otter & Duane White



Friends of the Library Membership Form

Name or Organization

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone Number

Make check payable to:

Friends of the Library,
100 E. Abriendo Avenue
Pueblo, CO 81004



Memberships:

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

100 E. Abriendo Avenue
Pueblo, Colorado 81004

Barkman's Back

The Barkman Branch Library closed its doors on November 15, 2004 for the renovation, which included the addition of a new floor, new signs, furniture and paint. Bookshelves and furniture were rearranged to create a new "Kids' Corner," teen area and teen study lounge.



Librarian Carol Rooney conducts a dog-themed story time in the new "Kids Corner" on the day of Barkman's grand reopening. The celebration took place on February 24, 2005.



City Councilman Gil Ortiz, Library Board Member Fran Alexander, Executive Director Jon Walker, Library Board President Joyce Vigil, Librarian Paula Pryich, and Barkman Supervisor Carol Rooney cut the ribbon and officially open for business.

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