

News & Events

Of the Pueblo City-County Library District

MAY 2007

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9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
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Historic Preservation Month events @ your library

**Mesa Verde Centennial Book Series
Lectures: Celebrating the 100th
Anniversary of Mesa Verde National Park
Thursday, May 3 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor**

In honor of the 100th birthday of Mesa Verde National Park, the Durango Herald Small Press has published seven new books on Mesa Verde. Thanks to grant funding, author Fred Blackburn will speak on his book, *The Wetherills: Friends of Mesa Verde*.

The Wetherills - parents, five sons and one daughter - came from the Midwest to homestead in a fertile Colorado valley, only to find the ruins of a centuries-old structure on their land. Who had built the now collapsed stone walls? And where had they gone? That first discovery led to many more, and what followed would etch their names into southwestern history.

Decades before the government or scientific institutions acted to preserve

Mesa Verde, the Wetherills stood apart, convinced that their Quaker faith had led them here to protect prehistoric sites from wanton destruction.

Based on decades of meticulous research, author Fred Blackburn sets the record straight on these early friends of Mesa Verde.

This event is co-sponsored by the Pueblo City-County Library District, the Pueblo Archaeological and Historical Society, the Animas Museum and the La Plata County Historical Society with financial support from the Colorado Humanities, the Ballantine Family Fund, and the Charles Redd Center at Brigham Young University.

For further information please contact Carla Hendrickson at (719) 583-1633



**The Pueblo Zoo: WPA to Present, 40
Years of Changes
Tuesday, May 22 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone - 4th floor
Hosted by George Williams**

Do you remember climbing on Monkey Mountain, or when a polar bear entertained visitors with the "Nestea Plunge?"

As part of Historic Preservation Month, the InfoZone News Museum is offering a historical look at the Pueblo Zoo. Local

historian and former Park's Department Assistant Director, George Williams, leads a pictorial tour involving 40 years of changes from Work Progress Administration (WPA) construction to present.

See rare photos of the development of Monkey Mountain, Bear Pits and Animal House, hear the tales of old and reminisce about personal experiences. This program is free and people are encouraged to bring any old photos of the Pueblo Zoo to the program. Zoo staff would like to digitize the photos for their historical records. All photos will be returned to the owners.

Events Calendar May 2007



Moving Up by Jon Walker

1 Tuesday

- **Time for Tots**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Cuentos: Bilingual Story Time (all ages)**
Barkman 7 p.m.

2 Wednesday

- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
- **Rawlings Discussion Group**
Rawlings 1:30 p.m.
Thurston Room - 1st Floor
- **Silver Screams**
The Mummy (movie)
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

3 Thursday

- **Preschool Story Time**
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- **Pajama Mother Goose**
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- **Teen Stories**
Barkman 7:30 p.m.
- **Mesa Verde Centennial Book Series Lecture**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
Ryals Room - 4th Floor

4 Friday

- **Side Door Sale**
Books Again Bookstore
8 - 5 a.m.
- **Mother Goose Time**
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- **Preschool Story Time**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

5 Saturday

- **Side Door Sale**
Books Again Bookstore
8 - 5 a.m.
- **Matinee Movie**
The Secret of N-I-M-H (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

6 Sunday

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

7 Monday

- **Mother Goose Time**
Rawlings 10 a.m.
Rawlings 2 p.m.
- **Tales for Twos**
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- **iCuentos y Cantos!**
Rawlings 11 a.m.
Thurston Room - 1st Floor
- **GameFest (teens)**
Craver 3:45 p.m.
- **Barkman Literary Discussion**
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
Barkman 7 p.m.

The Pueblo City-County Library District (PCCLD) is moving up. In each of the last three years, PCCLD has climbed the scale that compares the quality of public libraries across the country. This ranking is known as the Hennen American Public Library Rating (HAPLR). More than 9,000 public libraries in the United States are included in the HAPLR index. HAPLR compares libraries based on data tracked by the National Center for Education Statistics Federal State Cooperative Service. Libraries are rated, scored and ranked on fifteen factors. Every year, the HAPLR receives newspaper, magazine and television coverage all over the country.

In 2006, PCCLD rated at the 76th percentile in HAPLR. This is our highest ranking ever, and means that PCCLD provides a higher quality of service than about 75% of libraries nationally. PCCLD's HAPLR ranking has improved each year since 2004, when we rated at the 67th percentile. Our long-range goal is to reach the 80th percentile in HAPLR or the top 20% in the country.



Michael Cox and Francie Hurtado of Youth Services.



PCCLD staff at the half-day training in March 2007.

How will we reach our goal? An analysis by the Library Research Service (LRS) shows some key areas for improvement. According to LRS, we should carefully consider five key measures:

- Number of materials checked out
- Number of visitors
- Number of library-program attendees
- Number of staff
- Library operating expenditures.

According to LRS, the overall health of a library correlates with these five measures. We have concentrated on improving our HAPLR score by focusing on improvements in each of these areas.

This is why we are pleased in 2006 PCCLD set new all-time records for the number of check outs and the number of people attending library programs. The number of people visiting PCCLD libraries was a near record.

Our staffing levels also continue to improve—in the last three years we have increased from .47 employees per 1,000 people served to .54 employees per 1,000 served.

The overall spending level of the library also is healthy with PCCLD expenditures per capita tied for 5th out of 12 libraries in Colorado serving populations of more than 100,000. With these improvements, it is no wonder PCCLD keeps getting better.

Our commitment is to make PCCLD as good as it can be, and both HAPLR and LRS indicate we are on the right track.

Jon Walker is the Executive Director of the Pueblo City-County Library District and may be reached by calling (719) 562-5633.

Look who's @ the library!



Paul Jones, Philip Mancha, Jim Stuart and Rod Slyhoff at the recent grand opening celebration of the new Corner Café at the Rawlings Public Library.

May 2007

8 Tuesday

- Time for Tots
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Henna Temporary Tattoos (teens)
Rawlings 7 p.m.
- Ryals Room - 4th Floor
- Cuentos: Bilingual Story Time (all ages)
Barkman 7 p.m.

9 Wednesday

- Microsoft Excel Class
White 9 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- Preschool Story Time
Barkman 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Mother Goose Time
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

10 Thursday

- Preschool Story Time
White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
- Pajama Mother Goose
Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
- English Class
Rawlings 7 p.m.
- InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Teen Stories
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

11 Friday

- Really Basic Computers
Rawlings 9:30 a.m.
- Training Room - 3rd Floor
- Mother Goose Time
Rawlings 10, 10:30 & 11 a.m.
- Preschool Story Time
Lamb 10:30 a.m.
Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
- Tales for Twos
Lamb 10:30 a.m.

12 Saturday

- Mother's Day Crafts (K-3)
White 10 a.m.
- Matinee Movie *Shark Tale* (PG)
Rawlings 2:30 p.m.
- InfoZone - 4th Floor
- Ocean Below (children of all ages)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

13 Sunday

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

14 Monday

- All Libraries are closed until 12 noon for a staff inservice.
- Story times end and will resume on June 4.

15 Tuesday

- Microsoft Word II Class
White 8 a.m.
- Cuentos: Bilingual Story Time (children of all ages)
Barkman 7 p.m.

16 Wednesday

- Ocean Below
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

Coming in next month's issue...

Get ready for Summer Reading Club 2007: Get a Clube @ Your Library! Our award-winning program is back for another great summer. Watch for the special insert in the *Pueblo Chieftain* on Saturday, June 2nd for all the details.



Library district employee Mary Wagner loads boxes of books for delivery to Holly, Colorado.

Library employees help those in need

Mary Wagner, youth services library assistant, collected 10 boxes of library books to deliver to tornado-torn Holly, Colorado. Barb Brown, outreach services supervisor, and Lee Vigil, mail room clerk, assisted in packing and labeling the boxes.

Wagner contacted the Holly Volunteer Center and made arrangements to drop off of the precious cargo, packed and shipped with love. Library district employees contribute greatly to our community every day. Thanks for all you do!

May 2007

Library book-discussion groups

17 Thursday

- **Microsoft Word II Class**
White 7 p.m.
- **English Class**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Teen Stories**
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

18 Friday

- **Intro. to Microsoft Word**
Rawlings 9:30 a.m.
Training Room - 3rd Floor

19 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
Go Diego Go (G)
Rawlings 1 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Easter Island & Galapagos: Islands in My Collection**
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Deep Blue (movie)**
Rawlings 2:30 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Independent Film**
Monster Thursday
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

20 Sunday

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

21 Monday

- **White Discussion Group**
The year of Magical Thinking by Joan Didion
White 7 p.m.

22 Tuesday

- **Ice Cream Social (teens)**
Barkman 3:30 p.m.
- **The Pueblo Zoo: WPA to Present**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Cuentos: Bilingual Story Time (children of all ages)**
Barkman 7 p.m.

23 Wednesday

24 Thursday

- **English Class**
Rawlings 7 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor
- **Teen Stories**
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

25 Friday

- **Beginning Internet**
Rawlings 9:30 a.m.
Training Room - 3rd Floor
- **Hip Hop Fitness: Break Loose, Bust a Move**
Rawlings 4 p.m.
Outdoor Courtyard

26 Saturday

- **Matinee Movie**
Peter Pan (G)
Rawlings 2 p.m.
InfoZone - 4th Floor

27 Sunday

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

Barkman Literary Discussion

A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
by Betty Smith
Monday, May 7 at 7 p.m.
Movie - May 21 at 6 p.m.
Barkman Branch Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Francie Nolan, avid reader, penny-candy connoisseur, and adroit observer of human nature, has much to ponder in colorful, turn-of-the-century Brooklyn.

She grows up with a sweet, tragic father, a severely realistic mother, and an aunt who gives her love too freely - to men, and to a brother who will always be the favored child.

For more information about the Barkman Literary Discussion, please call Renee at (719) 296-8018 or Carol at (719) 562-5680.

Rawlings Discussion Group
Wednesday, May 2 at 1:30 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Thurston Room - 1st Floor

Please call Rich at (719) 553-0211 for more information.

White Discussion Group
The Year of Magical Thinking
by Joan Didion
Monday, May 21 at 7 p.m.
White Branch Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

In this memoir, Didion covers the year of her life after her husband dies from a heart attack. Everyone who has read the book is welcome to join the book discussion. Please call (719) 562-5660 for more information.

Gain global perspective, attend an InfoZone program

Ocean Below
Wednesday, May 16 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

Dave Woodward, deep sea diver and award-winning photographer, presents this amazing aquatic adventure that's free and open to adults.

Anyone with an interest in the beauty and mystery of the sea will be enthralled by this very special program.



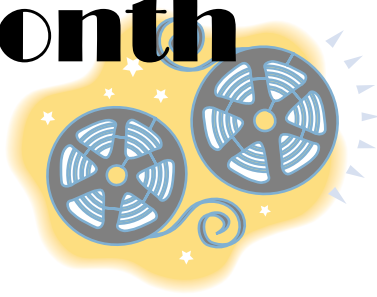
Easter Island & Galapagos: Islands in My Collection
Saturday, May 19 at 2 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

Pueblo Zoo volunteer and world traveler Mary Tucey provides a special photographic glimpse into some of the world's most remote and mysterious locations. Because of the abundance of rare wildlife on and off shore, the Galapagos Islands offer a wonderful natural adventure for the curious mind.

Watch the documentary *Deep Blue* immediately following the presentation. In the tradition of *March of the Penguins*, this stunning film takes viewers into a realm that defies the imagination.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information on all events taking place at the InfoZone, please call (719) 562-5604.

Playing this month @ your library



May 2007

Silver Screams movie night



Join Silver Screams for a presentation of the Val Lewton classic, *The Mummy*, on May 2 at 7 p.m. in the InfoZone Theatre on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library.

Silver Screams is a cinema group that meets the first Wednesday of every month at the Rawlings Public Library. Silver Screams is devoted to the viewing and discussion of older horror, monster, science fiction, and fantasy films.

A discussion of this 70-minute film will follow its viewing. The film and its discussion are free and open to the public. For additional information please call Geof at (719) 562-5601.

28 Monday

• All Libraries are closed for Memorial Day.

29 Tuesday

• *Cuentos: Bilingual Story Time* (all ages)
Barkman 7 p.m.

30 Wednesday

31 Thursday

• *Teen Stories*
Barkman 7:30 p.m.

Saturday matinee movies at the InfoZone

Come and enjoy a Disney Classic, a popular new release, or a favorite animated film.

The InfoZone, on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library offers movies everyone can love!

Catch one every Saturday. Regular screenings are at 2 p.m. with the exception of the movies on May 12, which will be shown at 2:30 p.m., and on May 19, which will be shown at 1 p.m.

The Secret of NIMH (Rated G)
Saturday, May 5

Shark Tale (Rated PG)
Saturday, May 12 @ 2:30 p.m.

Go Diego Go: Underwater Adventure (Rated G)
Saturday, May 19 @ 1 p.m.

Peter Pan (Rated G)
Saturday, May 26

Independent film series @ the InfoZone

Monster Thursday

Directed by Arild Ostin Ommundsen

Romantic-Drama, Norway

English Subtitles

Saturday, May 19 at 7 p.m.

Rawlings Public Library

InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor



In this film about mastering the arts of love and riding giants, Even leads a directionless life - he's the kind of guy who never completes anything.

Tord, his best friend, is the opposite: a great surfer with a prestigious job and beautiful Karen as his bride. The last part is especially hard on Even, who is not-so-secretly in love with Karen.

When Tord asks him to look after Karen, who is pregnant, while he is out of town,

Even decides to clean up and master the waves to impress her.

The Film Movement screenings are not rated and ordinarily portray adult situations and are not recommended for those younger than 17 without parental permission.

For information, call (719) 562-5604 or join our e-mail newsgroup at infozone@pueblolibrary.org.

• All libraries will be closed on May 14 until noon for a staff inservice.

• All libraries are closed Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day.

A new twist on an old tradition

Don't forget to visit Books Again used bookstore, 622 S. Union for the Side Door Sale on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• Hardbacks & oversized paperbacks \$2

• Regular-sized paperbacks, children's books, Books on Tape & VHS videos \$1

Tax is included in the price and no additional discounts will be applied. Books and items inside Books Again are NOT included in this sale.

COMPUTER

CLASSES

Microsoft Excel Class for Adults

Saturday, May 9 at 9 a.m.
White Branch Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

This class covers how to create a basic spreadsheet, do simple sums, insert rows and columns, and print a range of text. Proficiency with Microsoft Windows and keyboarding skills are required. This class is free and open to the public, but class size is limited. Please call (719) 562-5660 for reservations.

Microsoft Word II Class for Adults

Tuesday, May 15 at 8 a.m. &
Thursday, May 17 at 7 p.m.
White Branch Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

This class is for those who use Microsoft Word to type letters, but would like to learn how to make tables, columns, insert clip art, and format text. Experience using Microsoft Word is required. This class is free and open to the public, but class size is limited. Please call (719) 562-5660 for reservations.

Beginning Internet

Friday, May 25 at 9:30 a.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. Basic keyboard and mouse skills are required.

Really Basic Computers

Friday, May 11 at 9:30 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Training Room - 3rd floor

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

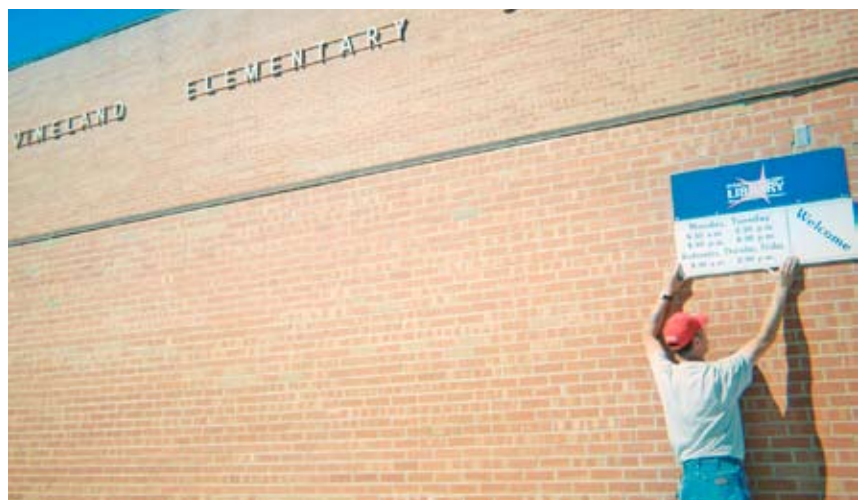
Introduction to Microsoft Word

Friday, May 18 at 9:30 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Training Room - 3rd floor

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



Barbara Brown, Sherry Mraovich and Janet McRoberts show off their new satellite library sign.



New signage for the Vineland Elementary Satellite Library was recently hung.

Teen Scene

GameFest

Monday, May 7 from 3:45 to 5 p.m.
Craver Middle School Satellite Library
4850 Crow Cut Off
Colorado City

Challenge your friend to a dance off with DDR Mario Mix. Try one of the more than 60 mini-games for up to eight players on Mario Party 7. Get ready for Puffff Pong, a hands-free ping pong game like you've never seen before. This program is free and open to teens. Please call (719) 676-3850 for more information.

Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, May 22 at 3:30 p.m.
Barkman Branch Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

The first ice cream freezer was patented in May 1848. Celebrate with an afternoon of ice cream fun! Call (719) 562-5680 for more information.

Teen Stories @ Barkman

Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
Barkman Branch Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

House of Scorpion by Nancy Farmer and
Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment by
James Patterson

Move over adults, this James Patterson series is written just for teens. *Maximum Ride* is the 14-year-old leader of a band of kids who have escaped the lab where they

Henna Temporary Tattoos

Tuesday, May 8 from 7 to 8 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor

This event is free and open to teens in grades 6-12. For more information, please call Mr. Mike at (719) 562-5603.

Hip Hop Fitness: Break Loose, Bust a Move @ Your Library

Friday, May 25 from 4 to 5 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Outdoor Courtyard (by main entrance)

Showcase Entertainment will demonstrate break dancing and discuss its health benefits. This event is free and open to the public.

were bred as 98% human and 2% bird (wings being a key component) and developed a variety of otherworldly talents. In Patterson's unusual universe, Max and her young cohorts are soon forced to rescue one of their own—a girl named Angel—from a pack of mutant wolf-humans called Erasers. A fun read for all teens!

This event is free and open to teens in grades 5-8. All who attend get a personal copy of the book to take home and read. For further information, call the Barkman Branch Library at (719) 562-5680.



Scenes from
the Build-a-Bot
Olympics in March.



Kids' Page



Rawlings Library staff Jacquie Talbot, Kathy Murray, Peggy Bilger, Lee Vigil and Rick Lucero are ready for this year's Summer Reading Club, Get a Clue @ Your Library!

Create a colorful bookmark about reading

Artists, get ready for the return of one of the library district's most popular contests! The Up With Reading Bookmark Contest is your chance to design a bookmark that expresses your love for reading.

One winner will be selected from each of the following grades: K-5, middle school, and high school.

The winning bookmark designs will be professionally printed and distributed next fall in Pueblo school district classrooms, at all Pueblo City-County Library District locations, and throughout the community. Winning entries will be recognized at a special ceremony in September.

Entry forms are available at all library locations. Deadline for entries is May 18.



Mother's Day Crafts

Saturday, May 12 from 10 to 11 a.m.

**White Branch Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West**

Mother's Day is near. Come create a wonderful gift for this special holiday. We will be making candles and picture frames. This event is free and open to kids in grades K-3. Call (719) 562-5660 for information.

Cuentos, Bilingual Stories for Children of All Ages

**Tuesdays at 7 p.m.
Barkman Branch Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.**

In celebration of Cinco de Mayo, the Barkman Branch Library is pleased to offer this unique story time in Spanish and English. This program is free and open to children. Please call (719) 562-5680 for more information.

Ocean Below

**Saturday, May 12 at 2 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone - 4th floor**

Join deep-sea diver and photographer Dave Woodward for this beautiful and fun program. He combines 48 years of diving and teaching experience with his international award-winning photographs to submerge viewers in a rediscovery of Plant Ocean. Presented in a humorous and understandable manner, children will experience what it's like to grope with groupers, wrestle with whales and dine with denizens of the deep - without getting wet!

This one-of-a kind presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, please call (719) 562-5604.

Connie & her little lambs

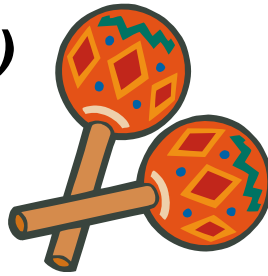


Connie Wilbar tells stories to the little ones gathered recently at Lamb Branch Library.



¡Cuentos y Cantos! (Bilingual Story Time)

**Mondays in May
11 to 11:20 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Thurston Room - 1st floor**



As part of an ongoing celebration of children, books and languages, a bilingual English and Spanish story time is now being offered on Mondays at the Rawlings Public Library.

Storytellers will be Francie Hurtado, youth services library assistant, and Rebekah Sanchez, librarian of Hispanic resources.

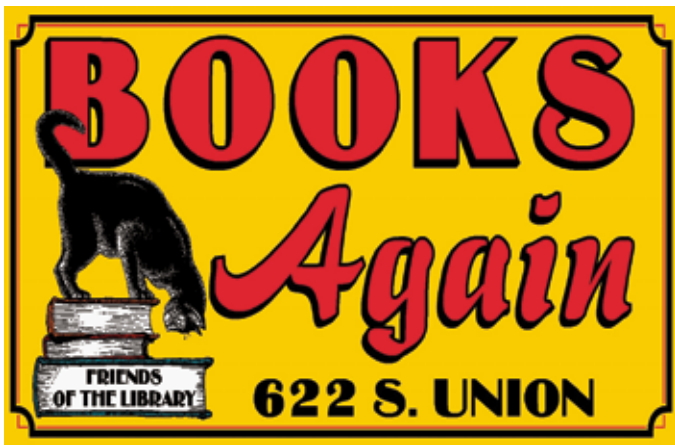
Interactive stories and songs will be presented in both languages during this 20-minute program. Although all ages are welcome, this free program is created and best suited for children from birth to three.



Sophie Markuson and Biscuit strike a pose for a recent Summer Reading Club photo shoot.



The recently created Teen Zone at Lamb Brach Library is a cool place for teens to hang out and read.



Shop at Books Again used bookstore
(719) 543-4688 booksagain@msn.com

Located one block east of the Rawlings Public Library
at 622 S. Union Ave.

Open Mon. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Closed on Sunday

Friends of the Library members receive a 10% discount on purchases. A Books Again Discount Club Membership may be purchased for \$5 a year to receive an additional 10% off purchases. Customers must present current membership cards to receive these discounts.

NEW VOLUNTEER: Vernon Nelson

NOTE: Books Again is always looking for new volunteers

COMING IN MID-SUMMER

Our newly remodeled back room is going to be open all the time for our shoppers convenience. During expansion, a new wall was erected to divide the unsorted books from those already available for purchase. New shelving is up and will be stocked, which will almost double our sales floor space. Prolific authors will have all their books together on their own shelves, both hardback and paperback. We will continue alphabetizing the fiction, and these hardback and paperback books will all be together under the letter of the last name of the author. The volunteers are really excited about these changes and hope that browsers will find just what they need very quickly.

KUDOS

To Al Perea, Jim Allenback, Joe Feliz, and the many other volunteers who have given so much of their time to building the wall, painting, installing shelves, and shuffling books around. To you, we extend our deepest gratitude. This expansion could not have occurred without all of you.

DID YOU KNOW? Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.

Learn English @ your library/Clases de Inglés

The Pueblo City-County Library District, in partnership with the Center for Immigrant and Community Integration will now offer beginning English classes on Thursday nights at 7 p.m. beginning May 10 and ending June 21 in the InfoZone on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library. To register, contact Ronald Roybal at (719) 544-4233, ext. 105.



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Clases de Inglés

Nivel Básico

En la biblioteca

Rawlings Library - InfoZone, 4 Piso

100 E. Abriendo

Pueblo, Colorado

**Cada Jueves entre el 10 de Mayo,
hasta el 21 de Junio. 2007**

**Costo de registrarse \$5.00 para materiales
Llame a 719 544 4233 x 105 para inscribirse
Instructor: Ronald Roybal**



Friends of the Library President's Corner by Jim Stuart

I would like to open by thanking the Board of the Friends of the Library for showing the confidence in me to make me their President. I will do my best to merit your faith in me.

Since the advent and success of our used bookstore, Books Again, the nature of the Friends has changed from one whose primary funding activity was provided by a once a year sale, to operating a year-round retail enterprise.

For the most part, we have continued to function as we have for many years even though our main fundraising activity has changed dramatically, and I might add in a very positive way.

We now have dozens of volunteers who combined put in almost 3,000 hours annually to operate our store. Because of the success of the store, which to date has generated more than \$115,000 in sales (60% of which goes to the benefit of the Library), the heart and spirit of

the Friends basically has a new home at Books Again.

Which leads me to one of my goals for the next 12 months. I am sure that for most of you, you have not given any thought to where the Friends resided, but to those of us actively involved with the organization, it has been a small office in the basement of the Rawlings Public Library.

One of my goals for my year as President, Edna addresses some of these in more specific detail in her article below, is to change that thinking both literally and figuratively.

Our home is now located at our book store, it's where you can find us, it's where we raise our funds, it's where we have fun selling books, it's where we recycle books, it's where we serve the public, it's where the Friends of the Library now live. Please come visit us at our home, 622 S. Union.

A New Year Is Upon Us by Edna Shoaf

Many businesses begin their new year in January, but the bylaws of the Friends of the Library state that a new president takes office in May. This month, then, we will be introducing a new slate of officers. If you happened to attend our lovely mystery dinner last month, then you have already met the super volunteers who will be guiding our organization for the coming months.

In any event, it is my great pleasure to introduce our new president, Jim Stuart; vice-president Barbara Tuttoilmondo, secretary Marilyn Kristan, and treasurer Eric Duran. We will be sorry to have to say goodbye to eight of our former members: former secretary Margaret Benz, Sandra Cunningham, former president Jeanne Gardner, Ernie Herzberger, Doug Knight and his lovely wife Rose Marie who was in charge of the magazine exchange, and Melanie Tappen, who resigned several months ago to manage Books Again.

When seven of a 15-member board depart at the same time, that certainly leaves room for those of you out there who have been wanting to join our board. Those of us who remain are Doris Kester, Marilyn Kristan, Lynda McKinnon, Lois Pfof, Edna Shoaf, James Stuart, Barbara Tuttoilmondo, and our newest members Eric Duran and Jock Peters. We are eagerly awaiting more volunteers.

I visited with new president Jim Stuart to ask if he had already been considering some goals for the coming months. (I really did not have to ask because

I know Jim, and he always has exciting ideas floating like butterflies around in his brilliant brain.) Jim said, "The book store has become the center of where we are as a board, and I would like to see this building utilized more. We should give up the Friends office in the library basement." Few people even knew it was there, and if they did know, it was difficult to gain access because of having to have a key to the elevator or an outside door code. To access an office in Books Again, just park in front of the store and walk inside.

Jim went on to say that the board secretary should have the membership rolls right here at Books Again, and dues would be mailed directly to the secretary at this address. Dues would be paid for a full year from when an individual joins the Friends, and the date would show on the card. That way people would know when their year was up and it would be time to renew the membership. Our membership chair would be able to send a note in the mail as a reminder at the appropriate time. All board mail would then use the Books Again address at 622 S. Union and the telephone number (719) 543-4688 would always have someone there to answer during store hours.

Wow! Are these great ideas or what? Exciting things are in the air - I could just smell them if my sniffer were not in poor shape with spring allergies! Stay tuned for more from the FOL, and remember that a lot of money is tainted: 'Taint yours and 'taint mine! Happy May Days!

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Pueblo, CO 81004

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Gold Card | <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Benefactor | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Patron |



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