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Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia

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Pueblo City-County Library District
100 East Abriendo Ave.
Pueblo, CO 81004

July 28, 2015

Dear Pueblo City and County Library District,

I would like to offer you my sincerest congratulations on being ranked the top Colorado library in visits and program attendance and fourth in circulations and checkouts. The report released by the Library Research Service notes the Pueblo Library has made great strides over the past four years to increase visits, program attendance, circulation, and checkouts.

We know this great success is due in part to the continued support from the communities you serve, but also thanks to the dedicated and passionate employees of the Pueblo City and County Library District. We graciously thank you for all you have done and continue to do for the community and state of Colorado.

Again, congratulations and thank you for your dedicated service and commitment.

Sincerely,

Office of the Lt. Governor

Pueblo Library Foundation

Pueblo Library Foundation exists exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of the Pueblo City-County Library District, including providing resources for the development, maintenance and operation of the Pueblo City-County Library District to the extent not normally met by public funding.

Your donation provides value to Pueblo Library Foundation in many ways:

- Your donation, dollar for dollar, benefits the future of libraries in Pueblo County;
- You have a chance to demonstrate your support to our community;
- You can trust that your donation is managed wisely and responsibly;
- You want to make a difference!

Every PCCLD trustee, Foundation board member, Friends of the Library board member and employee who donates, at the \$250 level, will be recognized on a giving plaque at the library branch of your choice. Your dedication to the PCCLD mission is appreciated! Calendar year donations of \$250 or more are eligible for the Colorado Enterprise Zone tax credit!

Yes, please accept my pledge to the Pueblo Library Foundation Endowment fund:

☐ \$250 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1,000 ☐ \$2,500 ☐ Other amount \$ _____

I would like my support to be recognized at the following library:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rawlings Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Lamb Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barkman Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Lucero Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Giodone Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Pueblo West Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greenhorn Valley Library | |

☐ I will fulfill this pledge today!

☐ I want to take advantage of the Enterprise Zone Tax Credit.

(My check of \$250 or more payable to the Enterprise Zone Coordinator is included or my credit card information is listed below. I understand that my Social Security number or Colorado Tax ID number must be included in order to take advantage of this credit.)

Social Security Number/Colorado Tax ID number _____

☐ I am making my donation directly to the Pueblo Library Foundation. My check payable to Pueblo Library Foundation is included or my credit card information is listed below.

☐ I will fulfill this pledge over _____ years. \$_____ annually OR \$_____ monthly.

☐ Please charge my credit card for the amount indicated above:

Name as it appears on the card

Credit card number

Expiration date

Zip code

3-digit CCV code

Name

Phone number

Signature

Date

LITERACY

Celebrating a 10th anniversary

Books Again at \$1M in sales; proceeds help library

BY ANTHONY A. MESTAS
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

If classic paper books are dead in this world of high technology, no one bothered to tell the managers of Pueblo's Books Again used bookstore.

The store at 622 S. Union Ave. will celebrate its 10th anniversary on Aug. 14-15. The store will offer all books at half off of the already discounted prices.

In 10 short years, the store has been able to make \$1 million in sales.

The store, which operates independently, is run by the Friends of the Library district. Portions of the sales from the bookstore are donated to the Pueblo City-County Library District.

The Friends organization was established in 1960.

"Ten years ago, we decided to open a bookstore rather than just



CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/JOHN JAQUES

Terrye Oliva, a volunteer worker at the Books Again used bookstore, shelves books on Thursday.

having our annual sale at Colorado State University-Pueblo," said Jim Stuart, store manager. "We wanted to sell books and accept donations on

a year-round basis."

Margaret and Bud Benz, members of the Friends organization, spearheaded the idea of the used bookstore.

"We've been told that it's the best, friendliest bookstore in the state," Stuart said.

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The books are all donated, and most of them are sold at 75 percent off of the retail price.

"We sell only the best of the books. We take in a lot of books, but we can't sell them all," Stuart said.

Stuart said volunteers have donated more than 100,000 hours over the past 10 years.

"We have about 20 volunteers who operate the store and we have people that specialize in handling the books and others that take care of the cash part of it and the actual sales," Stuart said.

"The sales we make are passed on to the Friends and everything the Friends get goes to the library. We've generated over \$500,000 in profits that benefit the library in many different ways."

"We are pretty proud of this store and it has been very successful." anthonyam@chieftain.com

that the river system would dilute the heavy metals before they pose a longer-term threat. They weren't so quick to point out that the contaminants had likely been absorbed into the soils of the riverbed and along the banks, and those chemicals and metals would again be released into the river when storms or floods stir up sediment.

For an agency that will take years testing and studying the health impact of lead levels in Pueblo's Eilers neighborhood — prior to making a determination on health impacts and beginning clean-up efforts — the EPA was surprisingly quick to issue the all-clear

right.”

EPA's tepid response and reaction to the Colorado disaster makes us wonder how the agency will proceed with Superfund efforts in the Eilers neighborhood once long-awaited results are released next month. If soil contamination levels and lead levels in blood samples turn out to be less than all the pre-testing hype might suggest, will EPA back off and retreat from Pueblo? Don't count on it.

More likely, the agency will kick into “do as I say, not as I do” mode and push ahead, forcing the community into years of clean up and negatively impacting property values.

New life for books

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, Books Again — the used bookstore run by the Friends of the Library organization in Pueblo.

Since it opened in 2005, Books Again has recorded more than \$1 million in sales. About \$500,000 in net profit from the operation of the bookstore, at 622 S. Union Ave., has helped fund Pueblo City-County Library District programs, equipment purchases, scholarships and more. The Friends also dedicated \$75,000 of its bookstore profits to the construction of the new neighborhood libraries that opened last fall.

Kudos to the many volunteers and library boosters who make the bookstore operation possible. The careful sorting of used books, music CDs and videos, along with the actual operation of the retail business, by volunteers makes the bookstore a great community asset. The Friends organization estimates more than 100,000 volunteer hours have been logged at the bookstore in 10 years.

We also want to thank Books Again found-

TELL IT TO THE CHIEFTAIN

Pot sales

The argument that the

because these drugs are addictive.

marijuana industry makes about retail marijuana is that medical marijuana “helps” so many people ease their suf-

fering

EMS effort

In regard to the article,

“Chaotic Day,” about the Walsenburg Police Department (Chieftain, July 24), I would like to add some kudos.

So is marijuana. None of these drugs should be legalized for retail use.

Please people, think about the consequences that result

ers Margaret and Bud Benz, who had the foresight to start the bookstore and operate it the right way.

“We’ve been told that it’s the best, friendliest bookstore in the state,” said Jim Stuart, store manager. “We are pretty proud of this store and it has been very successful.”

The success is pretty amazing, considering predictions that actual printed books are on the way out because of technological advances. The community’s support of Books Again for a decade proves that Pueblo readers still love the experience of sitting down with a good book.

The Friends organization, which touts more than 1,000 members, invites the public to help celebrate the 10th anniversary of Books Again today and Saturday. The store is offering its entire inventory of used books at half off already discounted prices.

And customers get the added bonus of knowing that their purchases help fund ongoing library efforts throughout the community.

ideas. Big think speeches of the sort Bush and Clinton gave

Trump.

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ENERGY SUBSIDIES

Global warming miracle



MICHAEL GERSON
Opinion

WASHINGTON — In recognition that Internet questionnaires get more eyeballs than earnest columns on energy policy, here is today’s quiz on obscure presidential history:

When President George W. Bush met Bill Gates for the first time, the topic of discussion was (A) nuclear power, (B) rural Internet access, (C) global health, or (D) all of those subjects, in considerable depth, in that order.

Those who find “D” surprising don’t get the concept of leading test questions, and don’t know much about either participant. As a fly on the wall at their lunch, I watched two men with a workish interest in energy policy talk over my head for 15 or 20 minutes about nuclear power plant design. (Gates has since become a major investor in one design that would utilize depleted uranium, essentially running on its own waste.)

One of Gates’ contributions as a public-minded billionaire — as opposed to turning the Republican presidential nomination process into a second-rate reality television show — is to bring a dose of reality

currently do not have feasible policy responses that are adequate to the need, even if we had far greater political will.

By some estimates, the world must keep two-thirds of its carbon-based energy resources in the ground — at the same time that vast numbers of people in China, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Brazil and elsewhere move toward middle-class levels of energy consumption. Gates makes the point in another way. If the goal — as some scientists urge — is an 80 percent reduction in carbon emissions by 2050, then it will be necessary to reduce emissions from transportation and electric production in participating countries down to zero.

Behavior change — shutting off the lights, turning off the air conditioner — is useful, not even in the ballpark of responding to this need. Neither are the subsidies that governments provide to renewable such as solar and wind power. The cost of meeting future energy requirements with existing green technologies would be “beyond astronomical,” Gates has argued.

There was no way to get the moon by stacking ladder That required an entirely different technology. Current environmental responses are stacking of ladders. “We need breakthroughs,” says Gates. It is sobering when your only sufficient policy response is the production of a miracle So how do we get technol-

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Books Again Accomplishments Over 10 Years

- Sales of Over \$1,000,000
- \$500,000 in Profits to Benefit the Library District
- Over 35,000 Donated Hours by Our Staff



(719) 543-4688

622 S. Union Ave. Pueblo, CO 81004
(Behind Federal Library off of 6th bench St.)

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH

RECEPTION 5PM & DINNER 6PM

COLORADO'S STATE FAIRGROUNDS, WEATHERPORT TENT

WEAR YOUR BEST WESTERN!

GREATER PUEBLO CHAMBER MEMBERS & GUESTS

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ELAINE@PUEBLOCHAMBER.NET

We ask that you respect our invited legislators, congressional leaders, and any candidates that are in attendance; as well as keep the bipartisan spirit that this event is intended to have. Thank You!



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☐ Yes, I will attend the 2015 Legislative Barbecue

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Phone: _____

Greater Pueblo Chamber Members & Guests

Total Number Attending x \$60.00 = Total Due \$ _____

NON-MEMBERS

Total Number Attending x \$80.00 = Total Due \$ _____

☐ Please Invoice Me (Greater Pueblo Chamber Members Only)

☐ Please Charge My Credit Card

☐ Payment Enclosed

Account Number: _____

Exp. Date: _____ 3 Digit Code: _____

Signature: _____

Names of Attendees: _____

Please PRINT ... We have name tags and must have all guests names.
If needed please include separate sheet with list of guest names.

PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

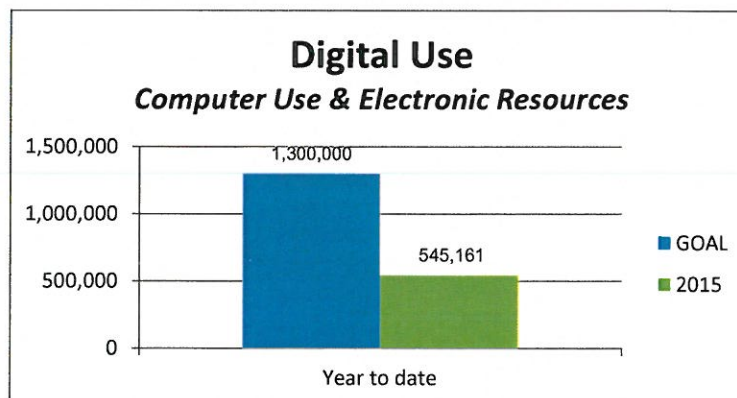
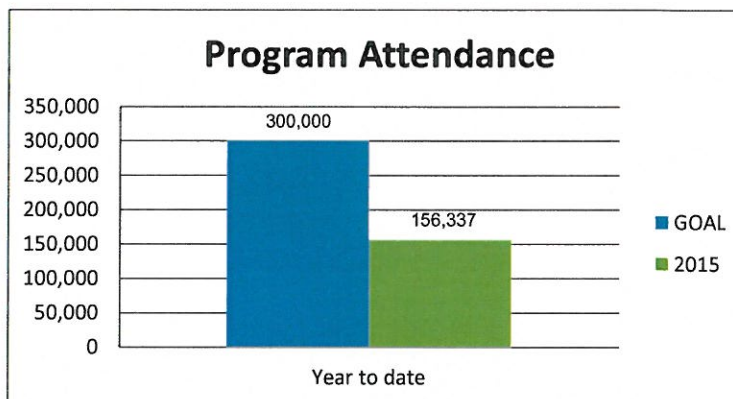
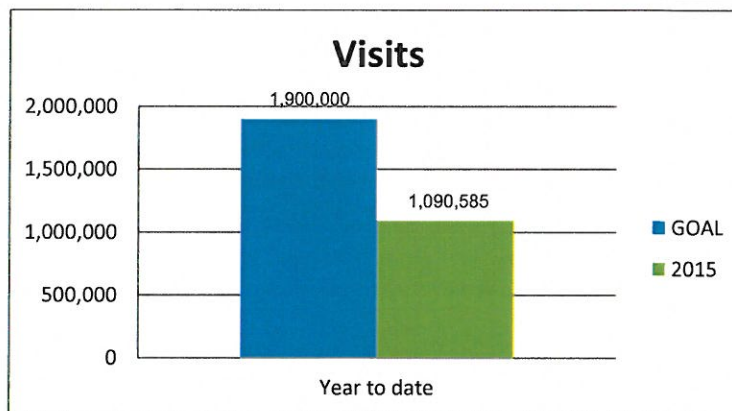
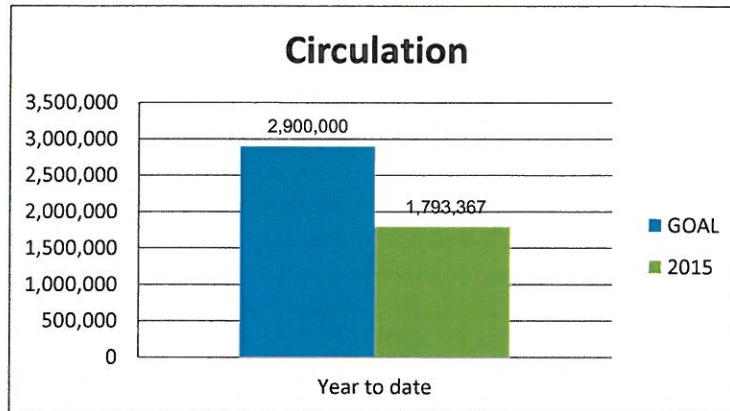
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Key Data

	Jul 2014	Jul 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD % Change
Circulation	251,123	263,759	1,324,383	1,793,367	35.4%
Barkman	38,810	33,783	193,118	226,011	17.0%
Giodone	0	9,420	0	69,005	
Greenhorn Valley	0	8,047	0	57,704	
Lamb	34,014	29,620	173,876	200,542	15.3%
Library @ the Y	2,493	2,442	13,021	14,207	9.1%
Lucero	0	15,416	0	112,900	
Pueblo West	43,830	39,234	237,680	259,081	9.0%
Rawlings	127,202	125,797	670,164	853,917	27.4%
Outreach (end 9/30/2014)	4,774		36,524		-100.0%
Library Visits	130,542	145,603	853,136	1,090,585	27.8%
Barkman	21,340	15,154	125,432	111,097	-11.4%
Giodone	0	7,067	0	53,646	
Greenhorn Valley	0	6,588	0	45,336	
Lamb	30,983	21,690	165,973	208,978	25.9%
Library @ the Y	2,947	5,842	19,378	26,707	37.8%
Lucero	0	16,073	0	103,442	
Pueblo West	17,362	23,497	120,234	152,055	26.5%
Rawlings	55,750	49,692	408,961	389,324	-4.8%
Outreach (end 9/30/2014)	2,160		13,158		
Program Attendance	17,631	18,221	101,544	156,337	54.0%
Barkman	741	1,543	7,674	12,884	67.9%
Giodone	0	1,189	0	10,421	
Greenhorn Valley	0	748	0	6,801	
Lamb	1,254	2,014	9,123	20,200	121.4%
Library @ the Y	290	533	1,518	2,163	42.5%
Lucero	0	1,303	0	10,163	
Pueblo West	2,902	2,585	17,470	17,485	0.1%
Rawlings	12,359	8,306	61,006	76,220	24.9%
Outreach (end 9/30/2014)	85		4,753		-100.0%
Computer Use	64,406	77,194	378,783	493,311	30.2%
Barkman	8,209	6,963	43,566	47,707	9.5%
Giodone	0	3,234	0	20,066	
Greenhorn Valley	0	1,527	0	12,855	
Lamb	6,700	6,935	41,599	44,269	6.4%
Library @ the Y	1,558	1,540	6,642	7,834	17.9%
Lucero	0	9,776	0	54,047	
Pueblo West	8,705	7,372	51,590	50,715	-1.7%
Rawlings	22,637	21,970	125,209	136,282	8.8%
Wireless	16,597	17,877	110,177	119,536	8.5%
Phone Calls	3,677	4,113	25,992	27,430	5.5%
Barkman	292	259	1,689	1,671	-1.1%
Giodone	0	28	0	251	
Greenhorn Valley	0	33	0	195	
Lamb	200	222	1,243	1,286	3.5%
Library @ the Y	100	140	2,481	845	-65.9%
Lucero	0	57	0	365	
Pueblo West	228	226	1,226	1,337	9.1%
Rawlings	638	630	5,119	4,080	-20.3%
Call Center	2,219	2,518	14,234	17,400	22.2%
Holds Filled	16,779	16,603	106,987	120,085	12.2%
Barkman	2,194	2,084	14,385	14,965	4.0%
Giodone	0	412	0	3,546	
Greenhorn Valley	0	405	0	2,663	
Lamb	1,865	2,053	12,072	13,710	13.6%
Library @ the Y	253	282	1,540	1,544	0.3%
Lucero	0	333	0	2,247	
Pueblo West	3,367	3,051	21,187	22,890	8.0%
Rawlings	8,905	7,983	56,065	58,520	4.4%
Outreach (end 9/30/2014)	195		1,738		-100.0%
Electronic Resources	22,563	4,123	140,415	51,850	-63.1%
Meeting Rm Attendance	13,179	24,837	83,969	134,618	60.3%
Barkman	951	1,116	6,511	6,167	-5.3%
Giodone	0	2,497	0	11,987	
Greenhorn Valley	0	1,829	0	9,436	
Lamb	2,495	3,146	13,295	14,608	9.9%
Library @ the Y	0	25	0	170	
Lucero	0	1,816	0	9,503	
Pueblo West	2,813	3,745	16,897	20,344	20.4%
Rawlings	6,920	10,663	47,266	62,403	32.0%

	2015 GOAL	2015 YTD	2015 Percentage attained	Target Percentage
Circulation	2,900,000	1,793,367	61.84%	58.33%
Visits	1,900,000	1,090,585	57.40%	58.33%
Program Attend	300,000	156,337	52.11%	58.33%
Digital Use	1,300,000	545,161	41.94%	58.33%

Progress Toward Key Results - July 2015



Pueblo City-County Library District

2016 Budget Calendar



	Date Target	Time	Date Req - Ref (CRS)
1 Distribute Call for Budget data to all supervisors	8.13.15		
2 Budget training/refresher	8.20.15	2:30-4:30 pm	[Location: Finance Office]
3 Assessor furnishes preliminary assessed valuation	8.25.15		8/25/13-CRS39-5-121
4 Planning retreat: Supervisors, Trustees & Steering Committee	8.26.15	All Day	[Location: MPEC:Beulah]
5 2016 budget worksheets due to Finance Office	9.2.15	5:00 PM	
6 2016 preliminary draft budget to Executive Director	9.8.15		
7 Presentation of long-range plan to Board of Trustees	9.24.15		[Location: Giodone]
8 Presentation of preliminary budget plan to supervisors	10.6.15	2:00-4:00 pm	[Location: Exec. Conf. Room]
9 Presentation of the 2016 proposed budget to the Board of Trustees @ Work Session	10.13.15	3:00 PM	10/15/12-CRS29-1-105 [Location: Rawlings, Ryals]
10 Notice of Budget and Public Hearing published in Pueblo Chieftain	10.13.15		10/15/12-CRS29-1-106(1)
11 Public copy available on PCCLD web site	10.13.15		10/16/12-CRS29-1-106(1)
13 Public Hearing for the 2016 proposed budget	11.19.15	5:30 PM	[Location: Lucero]
14 Final assessed valuation due from County Assessor	12.10.15		12/10/12-CRS39-1-111
15 Budget, appropriation and mill levy resolutions approved by the Board of Trustees	12.10.15	5:30 PM	[Location: Rawlings]
16 Certification of mill levy to County Commissioners	12.15.15		12/15/12-CRS39-5-128(1)
17 Approved budget assembled and published	1.15.16		
18 Final budgets returned to Depts. w/approvals noted	1.15.16		
19 Approved budget recorded in accounting system	1.15.16		
20 Certified copy of budget due at DLG	1.29.16		1/31/13-CRS29-1-113(1)
21 Final budget submitted to GFOA for review	3.10.16		

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