Choose successful libraries, stay Pueblo proud

by Jon Walker

Support for public libraries is a choice. Innumerable communities across the nation for generations have chosen support for public libraries. Our nation’s founders noted the significance of libraries to the success of our democracy. This tradition includes Pueblo where support for public libraries is notable. Local citizens have decided public libraries provide an enduring value for the people who live, work and go to school here.

Is the investment worth it? The answer is yes according to a 2017 study. For every $1 invested in public libraries, communities realize an average return of $4.64 in access to books and other materials, services and programs, and information technology (https://www.tsl.texas.gov/roi). Our libraries provide inviting and comfortable public places dedicated to learning and literacy, and information technology materials, services and programs, in access to books and other information (http://www.tsl.texas.gov/roi).

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You also may know Pueblo’s libraries are at risk now. I wrote about this in last month’s newsletter column (“Library at a crossroads,” http://www.pueblolibrary.org/sites/default/files/sites/default/files/pdf/newsletters/2019_march_newsletter.pdf). To reiterate here briefly, one stipulation of the Gallagher Amendment to Colorado’s constitution is causing declining revenue for Pueblo’s libraries due to rapidly increasing housing costs in Denver. This peculiar provision is negatively impacting numerous public institutions outside Denver, and a September 13, 2018, study by the State Legislative Council shows PCCLD is the most harmed library district in the entire state (http://leg.colorado.gov/sites/default/files/images/committees/2017/bill_5_fiscal_note.pdf).

We have options. One choice is to accept the Gallagher revenue reductions and the consequent decrease to services and hours and closing local libraries. For example, an analysis shows that by closing two local branch libraries the upcoming Gallagher funding shortfall could be resolved for now.

We have an alternative. A library mill levy voters passed in 1999 is set to expire at the end of 2019. Voters could be asked to simply reauthorize the mill levy rate now paid to support our local libraries. Without raising taxes, this would mean the individual owner of the average home would continue paying $6.95 per year or 58 cents a month. This small amount would have big impact. Renewing this modest tax would allow PCCLD to sustain itself, operate well and positively serve the community in the future without closing libraries or reducing services.

There undoubtedly are other possibilities to grapple with this problem. Whatever those are, it is time now to decide. The choice will have profound impact.
The Friends of the Library will hold their Annual Meeting & Luncheon on Friday, April 19. The Friends will recognize Roy Miltner as the 2019 Friend of the Year.

Roy has been involved with Pueblo City-County Library District since 1998. He has served on both the Friends of the Library Board as well as the Library Board of Trustees. As a trustee, Roy was a key supporter of expanding the district with the addition three new libraries in 2014.

His work with Books Again helped move it forward from an idea to a reality with the used bookstore’s opening in 2005. Prior to this, he started the library’s used book sales at the University of Southern Colorado, now CSU-Pueblo.

Currently, Roy manages the history and sports section of the store — receiving numerous compliments from customers. To help serve volunteers and customers better, Roy compiled a store polices and procedures manual.

A dedicated volunteer, Roy has consistently contributed at a high level to the store’s success for the past 20 years. Learn about the Friends accomplishments over the past year and hear from guest speaker Maria Tucker, Manager of Special Collections and Museum Services, who will give her presentation Andrew McClelland: A Most Unusual Library Patron. The cost to attend is $20. To make a reservation, call Books Again at (719) 553-0340 by April 12 at 4 p.m.
Tech Assistance
One-on-one help with smartphones, tablets, laptops, public computers etc. No registration required.

Tech Talk
Mondays, 10 a.m., PW

Open Learning Lab
RA, Training Room, 3rd floor
Mondays, Noon-2 p.m.

Tech Talk
Mondays, 10 a.m., PW

Tech Talk
Thursdays, Noon-2 p.m.

Drop In Tech Help
Wednesday, April 3, 11 a.m., GV

Tech Time
Thursday, April 25, 2-4 p.m., LB

DIY Resources
For more information or to register call (719) 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org

Digital Memory Lab Orientation
Thursday, April 25, 6 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Orientation for the new Digital Memory Lab - a space for free, DIY digitization of home movies and photographs. Orientation is required for Memory Lab users.

The Music Box: Digital Recording Studio
PW, Frank Lamb Room
REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Reservations must be made seven days in advance.
Prior to booking a recording time, please call (719) 562-5600 to set up an orientation. For a list of available equipment, please visit: www.pueblolibrary.org/musicbox.

Hispanic Resource Center
For more info: Maria Smyer at (719) 562-5615 or email maria.smyer@pueblolibrary.org

Exhibits
Landscapes
by Kevin Willis
April 1-30, RA, Hispanic Resource Gallery-2nd floor
On display will be landscape paintings and drawings by local artist Kevin Willis. Many of his drawings were done with simple materials — crayons, colored pencils, sharpie pens — as demonstrations on how artwork can be created using inexpensive and readily available materials.

Recycled Gems
by Carol Osmond
April 1-30, RA, Hispanic Resource Gallery-2nd floor
Local artist Carol Ausman’s recycled jewelry, paintings and cards will be on display during April.

Computer classes
Classes are free. For more info/questions on programs call (719) 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org

APPril Series
Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
During April, bring a smartphone or tablet to this weekly class and learn all about APPs.
April 2: Intro to your device
April 9: Functional Apps
April 16: Fun Apps
April 23: The App Store
April 30: Organizing your Apps

Super Seniors
Wednesdays, 2-4 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
April 3: Chromebook Basics
April 10: Exploring the Desktop
April 17: Getting an email account
April 24: Exploring the internet

Thursday Tech Club
6-8 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Join the club. Fun new topics every third Thursday of the month.

Online Shopping with Jen!
April 18: Learn the basics of shopping online and discover some of the best sites and apps to get the most bang for your buck.

April Series

April 3: Adobe Illustrator
April 10: Adobe Photoshop
April 17: Adobe InDesign
April 24: Adobe Premiere
April 31: Adobe After Effects

Language Classes
Beginning Spanish
 Saturdays, 12:15-2 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor
Conversational Spanish
Saturdays, 10:15-11:30 a.m., RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor

Art4healing Workshop
Tuesday, April 16, 10 a.m.-noon, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 8 and up. These monthly workshops are to support emotional healing through art and creative expression for those living in pain, grief, fear or stress.

Beginning English Nivel Principante
Mondays, 1-3 p.m., LU
Lunes, 1-3 p.m., LU

Intermediate English Nivel Medio
Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-noon, RA, Bret Kelly B-1st floor
Miercoles, 10 a.m.-noon, RA, Bret Kelly B

Advanced English Nivel Avanzado
Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly B-1st floor
Martes, 6-8 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly B

April 2019

Fridays
9:15-10:15 a.m., Chair Yoga, PW
9:30-10 a.m., English Conversation Club, PW, Frank Lamb Room
Noon, Youth Meal, RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor
1 p.m., Youth Meal, LB
1-3 p.m., Dungeons & Dragons, RA, Youth Program Room-1st floor
1:30-3 p.m., Hardknock Gang Intervention and Prevention, LU
1-3 p.m., Matter of Balance, PW
4 p.m., Fireside Crochet, GI
4 p.m., Youth Meal, BK
4 p.m., Youth Meal, LU
4 p.m., Youth Meal, RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor
5:30-8:30 p.m., Pueblo West Chess Club, PW

Saturdays
10:15-11:30 a.m., HRC Conversational Spanish, RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor
Noon-2 p.m., American Sign Language for Beginners, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
12:15-2 p.m., Beginning Spanish, RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor

Sundays
1:30 p.m., Kids Chess Club, RA, Bret Kelly A, 1st floor

1 Monday
5:30-7:30 p.m., Barkman Book Club, BK
5:30-8:30 p.m., Pueblo West Quilters, PW

2 Tuesday
4:30 p.m., Perler Beads, LU
5 p.m., Giodone Book Club and Tea, GI
5:30-9 p.m., Pueblo West Writer’s Group, PW
5:30-7:30 p.m., Teen Night: Video Game Edition, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
6-8 p.m., Pueblo Model Railroad Association, PW

3 Wednesday
10-11:30 a.m., Pueblo West Daylight Book Club, PW
11 a.m., Drop-In Tech Help, GV
noon-3 p.m., Perler and Pizza, BK
4:30 p.m., Rubber Band Bracelets, LU
5:30-7:30 p.m., Pueblo Write Now, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
6:30-8 p.m., The Idea Factory Presents: Felted Easter Eggs, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
6:30-9 p.m., Alhó (PG-13), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

4 Thursday
10 a.m.-1 p.m., The Hook Nook Crochet: Egg and Chicken, PW
11 a.m.-1 p.m., Easter Centerpiece, LB
2-4 p.m., Needle Felted Bunnies, LB
4:30 p.m., Animal Shelter Crafts, LU
6-9 p.m., Southern Colorado Watercolor Society, PW

5 Friday
Noon-3 p.m., Perler Beads and Pizza, BK
12:30-2 p.m., G-Force (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
1-3 p.m., Mr. Magic, GI
2 p.m., Learn Vinyl Cutting, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
3:30-5 p.m., Free Legal Self-Help Clinic, LB
4 p.m., We Are FARMily, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor

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Movies for adults

Special Screenings

**Eating You Alive (NR)**
Tuesday, April 9, 2-4 p.m., LU
Join the plant based certified Parkview Mobile Nurses to watch the documentary film. Learn how simple dietary changes can help take back control of our health— one bite at a time.

**The Human Element (NR)**
Monday, April 15, 5:30-8:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
In collaboration with The Sierra Club, Sangre de Cristo Group, Sierra Club Fountain Creek Water Sentinelso. With rare compassion and heart, this documentary film follows environmental photographer James Balog on his quest to highlight Americans on the front lines of climate change, inspiring us to re-evaluate our relationship with the natural world.

**Wednesday Night Films**
6:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

- **April 3:** Alpha (PG-13)
- **April 17:** Maze Runner: The Death Cure (PG-13)
- **April 24:** 12 Strong (R)

**Indy Film Series**
La Familia (NR)
Saturday, April 20, 4-6 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

- **April 13**, 14: Flight of the Navigator (G)
- **April 20 only:** Box Trolls (PG)

**PBS POV Documentary**
Singing with Angry Bird (NR)
Thursday, April 11, 7-9 p.m., LB
A Korean opera singer leads his children’s choir to produce a musical in India. This event is a collaboration with PBS’ award-winning nonfiction film series. http://www.pbs.org/pov/.

**El Arcoíris**
Boy Erased (R)
Monday, April 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Jared Eamons, the son of a Baptist pastor in a small town, is outed to his parents. They struggle with reconciling their love for their son with their beliefs. Fearing a loss of family, friends and community, Jared is pressured into attending a conversion therapy program. While there, he begins finding his own voice and acceptance of himself.

**Movies for kids**

**Weekend matinee**

**Saturday/Sundays**
2-4 p.m., *unless otherwise noted*

- **April 6, 7:** Flight of the Navigator (G)
- **April 13*, 14:** Zoom: Academy for SuperHeroes (PG)
- **April 20 only:** Box Trolls (PG)

- **April 27, 28:** Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb (PG)

**Friday Movies and Snacks**
12:30-2 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

- **April 5:** G-Force (PG)
- **April 12:** Bee Movie (PG)
- **April 19:** Nim's Island (PG)
- **April 26:** Open Season 2 (G)

**Mary Poppins Returns (PG)**

**Movie Matinee!**
Join us for a fresh made popcorn and: Mary Poppins Returns (PG)

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Bringing the library to those who are unable to visit. For more info, call (719) 553-0233 or email homebound@pueblolibrary.org

StoryKeepers: The Steel City — Pueblo Stories
Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
This month: Victoria Miller from Steelworks Center of the West and Joe A. Sandoval, author of Hearts of Gold: the Men and Women of Steel. Attendees can share their stories open-mic style or just listen. Connecting generations and preserving legacies is our passion. Door prizes and refreshments provided.

Aging 101: Medicare
Thursday, April 18, 2-3:30 p.m., RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
Understanding Medicare is no easy task. Join Judy Kagey and Ivonne Garcia from Senior Resource Development Agency to learn how to define personal healthcare needs as well as the programs available to subsidize Medicare costs. Refreshments provided.

Memory Cafe:
Fun With Decoupage
Thursday, April 11, 10:30 a.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
Memory Cafe is a monthly program that encourages social interaction and activity for aging adults and their caregivers or families. This month, decorate decoupage vases.

Volunteer tutors needed
Make an impact by empowering adult learners in our community! Experience the tremendous rewards that come with helping others achieve their educational, vocational, and personal goals. Volunteers are needed to help adults with reading, English language, or GED preparation. No experience necessary. Training and resources are provided.

Adult Literacy
For more information, contact: Susanna Johnson at (719) 553-0206, or email susanna.johnson@pueblolibrary.org

Programs at the Idea Factory
For more info or to register contact Sharon Rice at (719) 553-0213 or email sharon.rice@pueblolibrary.org

Bullet Journal Club
Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.
Monthly group meets to work on Bullet Journals and to share ideas. Washi tape is provided, but bring your own journal and pens.

Southern Colorado Astronomical Society:
Gravitational Waves
Thursday, April 18, 6:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly B-1st floor
The Southern Colorado Astronomical Society (SCAS) will host a free presentation by Donald Brooks, an astrophysics student at CSU-Pueblo.

Origami Odyssey
Sunday, April 14, 2-4 p.m.
Open to intermediate and advanced folders. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

English Conversation Club
Fridays, 9:30 a.m.-noon, PW
Practice speaking English with this friendly group.

Make the Switch
Visit: pueblolibrary.org/gopaperless

Volunteers needed!
Call (719) 553-0233 or email homebound@pueblolibrary.org for more information. Do you have an hour or two per month to help bring the library to a homebound customer in your community?

Homebound applications go green!
Send applications electronically! Go to pueblolibrary.org. From the Services tab; select Homebound.

NEW LOAN LIMITS:
100 books; 50 Audiobooks, Playaway audio and magazines; 15 CDs; 20 regular DVDs including Blu-ray.

10 a.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Felted Easter Eggs
Wednesday, April 3, 6:30-8 p.m.
AGES 18 AND UP
From wool, Patti and Mario Kart, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor

4-6 p.m., Adult Coloring, BK
4:30 p.m., Play-Doh Play, LU

3-5 p.m., Painting Rock Cactus, PW
4:30 p.m., Perler Beads, LU
5:30-7:30 p.m., Pueblo Write Now, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
6:30-9 p.m., Maze Runner: The Death Cure (PG-13), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
7-8:30 p.m., Mystery Book Collaboration Group, PW
8 p.m., Thursday Tech Club, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor

6-8 p.m., Thursday Tech Club, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor

7-8:30 p.m., The Felted Dog, GV
5:30-8:30 p.m., The Human Element (NR), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
7-8:30 p.m., Pueblo West Mystery Book Club, PW

9-10 a.m., Cool Science with the Steelworks, BK
11 a.m., Aladdin Party, GI
11 a.m., Friends of the Library Annual Meeting and Luncheon, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
12:30-2 p.m., Nim’s Island (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
1-3 p.m., Sit Means Sit, LU
2 p.m., Aladdin Party, BK
2-4 p.m., Aladdin Party, RA, Youth Program Room-1st floor
3 p.m., Pokemon Fanfest, PW
4 p.m., Pizza and Mario Kart, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
6-8 p.m., Video Game Lock-In, BK

9 a.m.-2 p.m., First Aid and CPR Certification, GK
10:30 a.m., Easter Egg Hunts, GI
11 a.m., Aladdin Party, LB
2-4 p.m., Learn to Stitch Door Hangers with The Threadbenders, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
2-4 p.m., Box Trojans (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
4-6 p.m., La Familia (NR), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

11 a.m., Cold Science with Steelworks, BK
11 a.m., Aladdin Party, GI
11:30 a.m., Friends of the Library Annual Meeting and Luncheon, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
12:30-2 p.m., Nim’s Island (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
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2-4 p.m., Aladdin Party, RA, Youth Program Room-1st floor
3 p.m., Pokemon Fanfest, PW
4 p.m., Pizza and Mario Kart, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
6-8 p.m., Video Game Lock-In, BK

Saturday, April 20
10 a.m., Cool Science with Steelworks, BK
11 a.m., Aladdin Party, GI
11:30 a.m., Friends of the Library Annual Meeting and Luncheon, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
12:30-2 p.m., Nim’s Island (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
1-3 p.m., Sit Means Sit, LU
2 p.m., Aladdin Party, BK
2-4 p.m., Aladdin Party, RA, Youth Program Room-1st floor
3 p.m., Pokemon Fanfest, PW
4 p.m., Pizza and Mario Kart, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
6-8 p.m., Video Game Lock-In, BK
April 2019
21 Sunday
- All locations closed
22 Monday
- 6:30-8:30 p.m., Boy Erased (R), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
23 Tuesday
- Noon, Preserving Your Family History Webinar, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
- 4 p.m., History Hullabaloo, PW
- 4-6 p.m., Fabric Bowl Covers, GL
- 4:30 p.m., Slime, LU
- 5:30-7:30 p.m., Teen Night: Movie Edition, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
- 6:30 p.m., Open Sew, PW
24 Wednesday
- 10:30 a.m.-noon, Coffee & Coloring, PW
- 1:30 p.m., Greenhorn Bookclub, GV
- 3:53 p.m., Spring Fling, LB
- 4:30 p.m., Beaded Key Chains, LU
- 5-7 p.m., Research Session, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
- 6:30-9 p.m., Strong (R), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
25 Thursday
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Felt Flowers, LU
- Noon, Caring for Family Keepsakes Webinar, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
- 2-4 p.m., Tech Time, LB
- 3-6 p.m., Sew Happy: Spring Tulip Bouquet, PW
- 4:30 p.m., Aladdin Party, LU
- 5-7 p.m., Pueblo City Schools Elementary Artshow Reception, RA, InfoZone Lobby-4th floor
- 6:30 p.m., Digital Memory Lab Orientation RA, Training Room-3rd floor
- 7 p.m. Poetry Reading, RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
26 Friday
- 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Vitalant Blood Drive, PW
- 11 a.m., Nutrition Class, BK
- 11 a.m., Zumba Kids, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
- 12:30-2 p.m., Open Season 2 (G), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
- 1-3 p.m., Kids Zumba, LU
- 2-4 p.m., Mary Poppins Returns (PG), GV
- 2-4 p.m., STEM Activity: Bacteria to the rescue, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
- 4 p.m., Raptors and Birds of Prey, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- 6-8 p.m., Laser Tag Lock-In, GV
27 Saturday
- All Day, Museum Free Day, RA, InfoZone News Museum, 4th floor
- 9 a.m.-noon, Lace Makers of Southern Colorado, PW
- 9:30-11:30 a.m., Community Seed Exchange, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
- 2-4 p.m., Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
- 3:5 p.m., Aladdin Party, PW
- 7 p.m., The Unconventional Women of the West, RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
28 Sunday
- 2-4 p.m., Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
29 Monday
- 4 p.m., El Día de los Niños/El Día de los Libros, RA, Youth Program Room-1st floor
- 7:30 p.m., PW Book Club, PW
30 Tuesday
- 4:30 p.m., Beaded Bracelets, LU
- 6:30 p.m., History Round Table, PW

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Pueblo Climate Summit
Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
Environment Colorado and Sangre de Cristo Sierra Club will host a climate change summit. Topics to be covered include: impacts of climate change in our state and local solutions that remedy the problem. Zach Pierce, Senior Policy Advisor, Energy and Natural Resources at Office of Governor Jared Polis will be the keynote speaker.

SISFA Film Festival
Short Film Showcase
Friday, April 12, 6 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
The festival will launch with a short film showcase premiering select shorts created in Colorado, and will feature additional shorts from throughout the U.S. — complete with cast/crew Q&As.

Beyond Columbine
Wednesday, April 10, 6:30-8:30, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Rocky Mountain PBS will host a forum examining how the community and state have been impacted in the past 20 years. Utilizing a segment from the upcoming series, Beyond Columbine, various locations will participate — sharing stories in the time since Columbine. Join the online conversation with BeyondColumbine.

The Unconventional Women of the West
Saturday, April 27, Doors open at 6:30 p.m., performance begins at 7 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
Meet Nettie Crook, Nellie Taylor Ross, Dr. Susan Anderson, Alice Ramsey and Florence Lawrence — the courageous and fascinating women whose lives became a part of the lore of the West! Travel back in time to hear stories of real women who made a significant impact on the West, be entertained with lively, historical portrayals and go on an educational adventure with the Unconventional Women of the West. Put on by The Legendary Ladies, a non-profit educational women’s organization.

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Celebrate National Poetry Month!
Poetry Contest
Grades 2-Adult, Deadline: April 5
Poets are invited to write a poem on a topic of their choice, written in any style.

Poetry Reading
Thursday, April 25, 7 p.m. RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
CSU-Pueblo professor Juan Morales will make a presentation on his book of poetry, The Handyman’s Guide to End Times. Guest poets will read from their selected works. Refreshments provided.

Preservation Week:
Brown Bag Webinars
Join SCMS staff for a webinar on preserving family history. Bring a lunch to eat during the webinar. Special Collections staff will be available to answer questions.

Preserving Your Family History
Tuesday, April 23, noon, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Kenytta D. Berry, author of The Family Tree Toolkit: A Comprehensive Guide to Uncovering Your Ancestry and Researching Genealogy, will provide tips on researching, preserving and sharing all aspects of your family’s history.

Caring for Family Keepsakes
Thursday, April 25, noon, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Learn basic archival care for family treasures such as photo albums, loose photographs, Bibles, clocks, jewelry and more.

Museum Free Day
Saturday, April 27, RA, InfoZone News Museum, 4th floor
Explore the interactive news museum with fun activities. In addition, we will host the Pueblo Pioneer Cemetery; established in 1870. They will talk about continuous living history with presentations from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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Health

Matter of Balance
Mondays and Fridays in April, 1-3 p.m., PW
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
These sessions emphasize practical strategies to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels for seniors.

Chair Yoga
Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 9:15 a.m., PW
With the help of a chair anyone can practice yoga with the same benefits of increased circulation, balance, flexibility, mobility and strength.

Tai Chi
Wednesdays, 6 p.m., PW
Join Lance Rochester, certified in Phys Ed. M.S.U., for eight simple exercises to improve your balance, flexibility, strength, organ functions and natural well-being.

Babywearing

Dance Class
Monday, April 15, 11 a.m., RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
Monday, April 22, 11 a.m., PW
Appropriate for ages 0-24 months and their caregiver. Strap, wrap or just carry your baby in and be ready to bust some serious moves. Please bring a water bottle.

First Aid and CPR Certification
Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., GV
REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please register at least one week in advance. Cost: $65
Ages 12 and up. Instructor TJ Richardson. This course certifies attendees in CPR, First Aid, Foreign Body Airway Obstruction (FBAO) and how to use an automated external defibrillator (AED).

Vitalant Blood Drive
Friday, April 26, 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., PW, Parking Lot

Interactive Groups

Pueblo Storytellers
Mondays, 1-2:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor
All are welcome to share, or listen and have fun learning from each other as this group shares fantasy, poetry, memoirs, Pueblo history and more. Contact Jane Milne with questions, (719) 543-6234 or jcmilne606@gmail.com.

Mahjong Club
Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., PW
Mahjongg Club weekly game.

Play Pinochle at the Library
Tuesdays, starting April 4, 6:30-8:30 p.m., RA, Study Room 215-2nd floor
Questions or to reserve a time slot, call (719) 562-5695
Have vinyl records but no place to listen to them? Check out our record listening booth. Headphones provided; our speaker can be used for group listening.

Hardknox Gang Intervention and Prevention
Fridays, 1:30 p.m., LU
All ages. Program focuses on addressing high risk/need areas such as the anti-social behaviors, thinking and personalities seen in gang members.

Pueblo West Writers Group
Tuesday, April 2, 5:30-9 p.m., PW
Monthly meeting to network and share information about writing and publishing.

Pueblo Write Now
Wednesday, April 3, 17, 5:30-7:30 p.m., RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
Bimonthly opportunity to read, give and receive feedback, as well as share tips and advice with other writers. All experience and genres welcome.

History Night
Monday, April 8, 6-8 p.m., GV
An evening of local history storytelling.

Making Shapely Fiction
Monday, April 15, 7 p.m., BK
Ages 13 and up. Create and discuss your own short story using prompts from the book Making Shapely Fiction by Jerome Stern. Supplies and text provided.

Adult Coloring
Tuesday, April 16, 4-6 p.m., BK
Ages 18 and up.

Mesa Neighbors Discussion Group
Tuesday, April 16, 10:30, GI
This month, PCCCLD’s Maria Tucker will give a presentation on Andrew McClelland — namesake-CelePueblo’s first public library.

Mystery Book Collaboration Group
Wednesday, April 17, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Meet monthly to write a mystery book.

Coffee and Coloring
Wednesday, April 24, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., PW

History Round Table: Sinking of the Titanic
Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 p.m., PW
Monthly open forum for discussion and debate of a different historical topic. Participants may read any book(s) of their choice related to the topic.

Genealogy

Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society
Saturday, April 6, 12:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly B-1st floor
Craig Garcia will make a presentation about using ancestry DNA and FTDNA to assist with research. It is recommended attendees bring their personal computers.

Research Sessions
Tuesday, April 9, 6-8 p.m., RA, Special Collections-3rd floor
Instructor: Charlene Garcia-Simms. Focus: Hispanic Genealogy
Thursday, April 18, 3-5, RA
Special Collections-3rd Floor
Instructor: Charlene Garcia Simms Focus: Using Ancestry,com to further your genealogy
Wednesday, April 24, 5-7 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Instructor: Noreen Riffe Focus: Finding Lineage

Pueblo West Genealogy Club
Saturday, April 13, 2-4 p.m., PW
Presentations on genealogy research skills followed by discussion. Topic: Genealogy and DNA.

Gardening

Waterwise Gardening
Saturday, April 6, 9 a.m.-noon, PW
REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED.
Learn landscaping techniques to cope with Pueblo West’s challenging conditions. To register call (719) 547-1557 or (719) 482-4955 or email: CattailGardeners@gmail.com.

All Pueblo GROWS

Seed Lending Library

Community Seed Exchange
Saturday, April 27, 9:30-11:30 a.m., RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
Join members of the Colorado Master Gardeners for this community seed exchange and learn about starting seeds indoors. All seed donations welcome.

Seed Lending Library

Focus: Finding Lineage
Instructor: Noreen Riffe
Training Room-3rd floor
Topic: Genealogy and DNA.
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**Crafts**

**Swedish Weavers & Needlework Group**
Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., PW
All needle workers welcome.

**Cast-off Knitting and Craft Group**
Tuesdays, 1-4 p.m., PW
Bring knitting or other fiber art project to this weekly gathering.

**Crafty Needles**
Thursdays, 1-4 p.m., BK
Socialize while working on projects, share patterns and advice. Everyone is welcome.

**Fireside Crochet**
Fridays, 4 p.m., GI
Learn to crochet with Lori. Hot chocolate and tea provided.

**Needle Felted Bunnies**
Thursday, April 4, 2-4 p.m., LB
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 18 and up. Learn needle felting step-by-step.

**Easter Centerpiece**
Thursday, April 4, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., LU
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 18 and up. Create a unique tabletop centerpiece.

**Hook Nook Crochet:**
**Egg and Chick**
Thursday, April 4, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Thursday, April 18, 1-4 p.m.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Make a chick nestled inside an eggshell. Bring small amounts of medium yarn in eggshell and chick colors. All skill levels welcome.

**Beginning Beadwork**
Saturday, April 6, 3-5 p.m., GI
Learn beading basics.

**Mosaic Glass Art**
Monday, April 8, 10 a.m., BK
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Join instructors from the Little Glass Art Co. to create one-of-a-kind glass mosaics.

**Pueblo West Open Sew**
Monday, April 8, 6-8:30 p.m., PW
Tuesday, April 23, 6-8:30 p.m., PW
Open sewing class with Pueblo West Quilters group.

**String Eggs**
Thursday, April 11, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., LU
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 18 and up. Use a balloon string and mod-podge to create a festive decoration.

**Sip ‘n’ Stroke**
Friday, April 12, 6-8 p.m., GV
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
COST: $25 FOR SUPPLIES
Ages 21 and up. Play and paint with painting instructor Randy Ford for an evening of fun, laughter, and creativity. Feel free to bring a beverage of your choice.

**Make a Terrarium Workshop**
Saturday, April 13, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., GV
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Learn It FREE
Call (719) 562-5600. A legal clinic for parties who have no attorney, via computer link.

**Easter Bunny Pots**
Thursday, April 18, 2-4 p.m., LB
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Get ready for Easter with colorful hatching chicks. Use a balloon and mod-podge to create a festive decoration.

**Painted Rock Cactus**
Wednesday, April 17, 3-5 p.m., PW
Decorate your own rock cactus garden and terracotta clay pot.

**Air Plants**
Thursday, April 18, 2-4 p.m., LB
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 18 and up. Create something amazing with air plants.

**Felt Flowers**
Thursday, April 25, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., LU
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 18 and up. Welcome Spring with a handmade felt flower.

**Family Craft Time:**
**Bunnies for Patients**
Tuesday, April 9, 5-6:30 p.m., GI
Make sock bunnies to donate to patients of Parkview Medical Center’s children’s ward.

**To Dye For:**
**Pillowcases**
Tuesday, April 9, 6-7:30 p.m., RA, Thurstom Room-1st floor
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Ages 13 and up. Add some color to your home. Pillowcases provided. Attendees are welcome to bring one item as an alternative.

**Happy Little Tree Painting Hangout**
Wednesday, April 10, 4-6 p.m., BK
All ages. Supplies provided but may bring own supplies.

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**Sew Happy:**
**Spring Tulip Bouquet**
Thursday, April 25, 3-6 p.m., PW
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Sew a bouquet of tulips for mom this Mother’s Day.

**Lace Makers of Southern Colorado**
Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m.-noon, PW
Work on projects, share tips and patterns with other lace makers.

**Exhibit**
**Birds, Butterflies and a Few Other Insects by Radeaux**
April 4-20, RA, InfoZone Museum-4th floor
Radeaux paints the fauna of his native Colorado. The life sized images of birds and other animals are not merely idealized illustrations but explore the patterning and geometrics found in nature.

**Learn It at the Library**
**Free Legal Self-Help Clinic**
Friday, April 5, 3:30-5 p.m., LB
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Call (719) 562-5600. A FREE legal clinic for parties who have no attorney, via computer link.

**AVAS: Butterflies of Southern Colorado**
Saturday, April 13, 10:45 a.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Mark Yaeger will present photos of Pearle Sandstrom Smith and Clif Smith. Fundamentals of identification as well as places to look for butterflies will be discussed.

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**Monthly programs for adults**

**Book Clubs**

**Barkman Book Club**
Monday, April 1, 5:30-7 p.m., BK
Book: Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate.

**Book Club and Tea**
Tuesday, April 2, 5-6:30 p.m., Gl
Book: Death of Mrs. Westaway by Ruth Ware.

**Daylight Book Club**
Wednesday, April 3, 10-11:30 a.m., PW
The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

**Mystery Book Club**
Thursday, April 18, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Book: Gallows View by Peter Robinson

**Greenhorn Valley Book Club**
Wednesday, April 24, 1-3 p.m., GV
Book: The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

**PW Book Club**
Monday, April 29, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Book: The Tower, the Zoo, and the Tortoise by Julia Stuart

**Monthly Meetings**

**The Society for Creative Anachronism**
Wednesdays, 6-8:30 p.m., PW
Visitors welcome.

**Pueblo West Quilters**
Monday, April 1, 5:30-8:30 p.m., PW
Visitors welcome.

**Pueblo Model Railroad Association**
Tuesday, April 2, 6-8 p.m., PW
Visitors welcome.

**Southern Colorado Watercolor Society**
Thursday, April 4, 6-8:30 p.m., PW
Visitors welcome.

**Machine Embroidery Club**
Thursday, April 11, 9 a.m., PW
Visitors welcome.

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COMING IN MAY!

**Archaeology and Preservation Month:**
**The Lost City of the Monkey God**
Thursday, May 2, 7 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4th floor

Join Dr. Chris Fisher, chief archaeologist of the expedition shared in the No. 1 N Y Times Bestseller, The Lost City of the Monkey God, by Douglas Preston. Fisher, professor, CSU-Ft. Collins, is a renowned scholar of Mesoamerican archaeology and one of the world’s foremost experts on the use of LiDAR (light imaging, direction and ranging) in modern archaeology. The program is co-sponsored by the Pueblo Archaeological and Historical Society.

**IDEA Con**
Saturday, May 4, RA, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
All ages. Caped crusaders and spaced-out martians will converge for Pueblo’s premier comic and fan convention. Cosplay contest, vendors selling all things nerdy, entertainment and hands-on activities are planned.

**IDEA Con**
**RAWLINGS LIBRARY**
**9 A.M.-5 P.M.**

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**Kids (ages 0-8)**

**Aladdin Party**
Celebrate the world of Aladdin with crafts and games.
- Friday, April 12, 2 p.m., GV
- Friday, April 19, 11 a.m., GI
- Friday, April 26, 2 p.m., BK
- Friday, April 19, 2-4 p.m., RA, Youth Program Room-1st floor
- Saturday, April 20, 11 a.m., LB
- Thursday, April 25, 4:30 p.m., LU
- Saturday, April 27, 3-5 p.m., PW

**Online Gaming Club: Roblox**
- Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.-noon, GI
- **REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**
- Join fellow online gamers to explore games together and make friends.
- This month ROBLOX. Some games will need parents permission to login.

**Kids Club**
- Mondays, 4 p.m., RA, Youth Program Room
- Ages 5-8. A weekly program designed to encourage creativity while having fun!
- April 1: Play-Doh
- April 8: Legos and Puzzles
- April 15: Easter Crafts
- April 22: Games
- April 29: Dia de los Ninos Event

**Ages 0-18**

**Youth Meals**
  - Mondays, 4 p.m., BK
  - Mondays-Thursdays, 3:45 p.m., LU*
  - Does not include April 9
  - Monday-Thursday, 5 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor

**Friday Meals**
- Noon and 4 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor
- 1 p.m., LB, 4 p.m. BK, 4 p.m., LU

**Kids Chess Club**
- Sundays, 1:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly A-1st floor
- Starts April 7
- **REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
- Learn, test and improve chess skills at this weekly chess club. All levels welcome.

**Lucero Crafts**
- 4:30 p.m., LU
- April 4, 11, 18: Animal Shelter Crafts
- April 9: Suncatchers
- April 16: Play-Doh Play

**Exhibit**
**Pueblo City Schools Elementary Art Show**
- April 25-May 6, RA, InfoZone Lobby-4th floor
- Artwork created by Pueblo City School students will be on display.

**History Hullabaloo:**
**Life in the Middle Ages**
- Tuesday, April 23, 4 p.m., PW
- Join the crew of young historians. Explore different times in history with stories, crafts and costumes.

**Easter Egg Slime**
- Tuesday, April 9, 4 p.m., BK
- Friday, April 12, 4 p.m., GI
- Ages 8 to 12. Listen to an Easter story and make Easter slime.

**Easter Egg Hunt**
- Saturday, April 20, 10:30 a.m., GI
- Bring your little ones and join us for an Easter egg hunt.

**Enter a Contest!**
- Additional guidelines may be found on the entry forms, available at all library locations or online at pueblolibrary.org/contests.

**Poetry Contest**
- Grades 2-Adult, Deadline: April 5
- Poets are invited to write a poem on a topic of their choice, written in any style.

**Bookmark Contest**
- Grades K-12, Deadline: April 26
- Create a colorful bookmark on the theme of reading!

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Tweens (ages 9-12)

**Caught Making**
Thursday, April 18, 4:30 p.m., GV
Make custom cameos! Software and tools will be available to make classic images of yourself. No registration required, drop in any time.

**Pokemon Fanfest**
Friday, April 19, 3 p.m., PW
Show off your Pokemon fandom by making buttons, keychains, and more!

**Spring Fling**
Wednesday, April 24, 3-5:30 p.m., LB
Create spring terrariums, paper flowers, crowns, and butterflies.

Fun Fridays
Fun enrichment programs, every Friday during the school year.

**Friday Meals**
Ages 1-18. Enjoy a free, cold meal. Sponsored by Pueblo City Schools.

- **Noon and 4 p.m., RA**
- **Bret Kelly A-1st floor**
- **1 p.m., LB**
- **2 p.m., LU, 4 p.m.**

**Lamb Lunch and Learn**
2-4 p.m.

- **April 5:** Pottery Painting with Fire Playce
- **April 12:** Lunch and activity
- **April 19:** Lunch and activity
- **April 26:** Clay Installation with Kate Fox

**Barkman Programs**
Perler Beads and Pizza
April 5, noon-3 p.m.
Perler bead art and free pizza.

The Hair Dad:
Barbie Party and Hair Class
April 12, 4-6 p.m.
Join the Hair Dad for a Daddy-Daughter hair class and Barbie Party.

**Cool Science with Steelworks**
April 19, 10 a.m.
Learn the science of building bridges using toothpicks and candy.

**Food and Nutrition Class**
April 26, 11 a.m.
Grades 3-5. Learn more about nutrition and meals as you cook tasty treats alongside our instructor.

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**Teens (ages 13 and up)**

**Hangout**
Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:30-5 p.m., PW
Hangout with friends, play games, make crafts and listen to music.

- **Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m., LB**
- **April 2:** Perler Bead earbud holder
- **April 9:** Learn to Play Ukulele
- **April 16:** Card games
- **April 23:** Marvel Trivia
- **April 30:** Tie Dye Coasters

**Button Making**
Thursday, April 11, 4:30 p.m., GV
Make buttons and pins. An assortment of pictures will be printed in advance but feel free to bring images of your own. No registration required, drop in any time.

Teens and Teens
Dungeons & Dragons
Fridays, 1-3 p.m., RA
Youth Program Room-1st floor

**Teen Night**
Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m., RA, Teen Zone-2nd floor
April 2, Video Game Edition, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
April 9, Laser Tag, Ryals Room-1st floor
April 23, Movie Edition, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

**Video Game Lock-In**
Friday, April 19, 6-8 p.m., BK
Two hours of video and board games.

**Laser Tag Lock-in**
Friday, April 26, 6-8 p.m., GV
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Parent or guardian must sign a permission slip before play.

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**STEM Activity:**
Bacteria to the rescue!
April 26, 2-4 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
The Air Force Academy iGEM team will discuss how they are developing a way to clean pollutants in waterways using bacteria. PCCLD and Communities to Build Active STEM Engagement presents a series of fun Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) events.

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- Wage and earning statement(s) Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R from each employer
- Interest and dividend statement from banks (forms 1099)
- Bank account number and routing number if you desire a direct deposit (some locations have bank representatives available to open an account)
- If filing a joint return, both spouses must be present to sign required forms
- If you have purchased a home in 2018, bring all mortgage documentation
- If claiming day care expenses, total amount paid and daycare provider’s Tax ID number

**Books by the Bag SALE**

Friends of the Library exclusive day: **Thursday, April 4**

Public sales: **Friday, April 5, Saturday, April 6**
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Not a Friend? Join that day!

*Fill a plastic grocery bag for $8 (bags provided)*