What is the future of our local libraries?

by Jon Walker

Our libraries are bustling. They are busy with people learning and engaged with productive entertainment, sharing information, and reading and studying.

Libraries are popular and successful. An average day at our libraries includes more than 4,600 individuals visiting our libraries to check out more than 8,000 books and materials, 3,500 plus logging into library computers and digital resources and more than 900 attending library-sponsored cultural and educational events and classes.

This also is a critical time for our libraries’ future. An important question about libraries is upcoming in November. There is an expiring library mill levy that will be on the election ballot in November for the voters to consider renewing. This mill levy generates important money supporting success. This good work has resulted in resounding accolades for our libraries. Pueblo City-County Libraries recently won Best Library in America, Colorado Library of the Year, and was selected as a Four Star Library. Just last year our local libraries were awarded the National Medal for Library Services, probably the most prestigious honor of all.

There is a challenge now for our libraries. The expiring library mill levy provides important money supporting success. This tax has been in place since 1999 and it is scheduled to end in 2019. It is a modest amount in some ways, costing $4.30 per year for each $100,000 in home value. Homeowners pay this now for the Best Library in America. If this library mill levy is allowed to expire, then our libraries’ top rated services and programs will be forced to reduce. This will leave fewer safe and positive places and programs for kids, families and seniors for reading, study and learning.

The library governing Board of Trustees is asking voters in November 2019 to re-authorize the expiring library mill levy. This way, without a tax increase, the owner of a $200,000 home, for example, will continue to pay the same $8.60 per year for local libraries. If voters support this, our local libraries high quality programs, services, and activities will be strong into the foreseeable future. Without it, serious reductions will occur in library services and hours, and, branches may shutter.

This is an important time for our libraries. I know people are proud of our libraries and their success, and the November 2019 library ballot question will go a long way in determining their future.
Summer Reading 2019

Only a few weeks remain

There are just a few more weeks left of Summer Reading. Are you registered? Adults receive a $5 Books Again coupon just for signing up! All programs listed are free and open to the public unless otherwise specified. To register for programs call (719) 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org.

Kids Parade

Saturday, Aug. 10, 10 a.m., Abriendo Ave.
Free and open to the public. Bring your family to watch the end of summer celebration at the Kids Parade!
This year’s theme is A Universe of Stories.

Right after the parade!

Party in the Park
10:30 a.m. – noon, Grome Park (located on Abriendo Ave. between King Ave. and Jewell Ave.)
Food and fun for everyone to celebrate the end of summer! Free and open to the public.
Co-sponsored by Pueblo Parks and Recreation

Celebrate the end of Summer Reading and march in this Pueblo tradition with your family!

Adults

Galaxy In A Bottle
Monday, Aug. 12, 11 a.m., BK
Make a galaxy in a bottle from everyday things.

Woodburnt Spoons
Thursday, Aug. 15, 2-4 p.m., LB
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Ages 18 and up. Join us this week for an introduction to wood burning by decorating your own wooden spoon.

Japanese Tea Ceremony and Tea Tasting
Thursday, Aug. 22, 2-4 p.m., LB
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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-Thursdays Noon-2 p.m.

Drop In Tech Help
Wednesday, Aug. 7, 11 a.m., GV

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

Exhibits
Colors of the Southwest
Aug. 1-31, RA, Hispanic Resource Center Gallery-2nd floor
A small collection of the Sangre de Cristo Art and Conference Center’s popular Colors of the Southwest exhibit will be on display.

George’s Realism
Aug. 1-31, RA, Hispanic Resource Center Gallery-2nd floor
Paintings by local artist George Ivins will be on display.

Checkout museum passes today!
Card holders can now checkout five-day quick passes to the Sangre de Cristo Arts and Conference Center and the Buell Children’s Museum until September 30. Passes are available at the customer service desk an all PCCLD locations. Family passes include two adult passes; no holds.

Third Thursday Tech Club:
6-8 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
Join the club. Fun new topics third Thursday of the month.

Online Zen
Aug. 15: Discover and discuss the best websites and apps for meditation, yoga and mindfulness.

Internet and email Basics
Monday, Aug. 19, 2-3:30 p.m., GV
All ages. Learn how to find information on the internet and how to set up and use email. Laptops will be available or bring in your own device to use for this class.

Adult Literacy
For more information, contact: Rebecca McGhee at (719) 553-0206 or email rebecca.mcghee@pueblolibrary.org

Intermediate English Classes
Wednesdays, 1 p.m., GI
Join us for lessons in English in a fun and welcoming environment. Mejorar sus habilidades lingüísticas en la biblioteca! Acompañanos a clases de Inglés en un ambiente divertido. Miercoles desde 1:00 p.m.

Art4Healing Workshop
Tuesday, Aug. 20, 10 a.m.-noon, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Register online at www.pueblolibrary.org.
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.

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

August Classes
Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
The Space Bar
Aug. 6: Learn keyboard basics and practice typing.

The Google-verse
Series will focus on Google Suite
Aug. 13: Google Docs
Aug. 20: Google Sheets

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Microsoft Universe
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Aug. 21: Excel
Aug. 28: PowerPoint

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• 10 a.m., Kids Zumba!, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
• 12:30 p.m., How to Train your Dragon — The Hidden World (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
• 1:30-3 p.m., Sit Means Sit, LB
• 2 p.m., Family Coloring Program, GV
• 3:30 p.m., Smokey Bear’s 75th Birthday Party, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
• 4 p.m., Maker Mania: Back to School Crafts, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 4-6 p.m., Online Gaming: Roblox by Tweens for Tweens, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
• 6-8 p.m., Laser Tag Lock-In, GV

10 Saturday
• 10 a.m., Kids Parade, Abriendo Ave.
• 10:30 a.m. – noon, Kids Parade: Party in the Park, Grome Park
• 11 a.m-1 p.m., Striping Yarn Wreath Workshop, GV
• 2-4 p.m., Pueblo West Genealogy Club, PW
• 3 p.m., A Wrinkle in Time (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

11 Sunday
• 11 a.m, Galaxy in A Bottle, BK
• 2 p.m., A Wrinkle in Time (PG), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
• 2-4 p.m., Origami Odyssey: Open Folding, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor

12 Monday
• 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Vitalant Blood Drive, RA, parking lot
• 6-8 p.m., History Night, GV
• 6:30 p.m., Pueblo West Open Sew, PW

13 Tuesday
• Noon-2 p.m., Pueblo West Women’s League, PW
• 2-4 p.m., Google Docs, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
• 4-6 p.m., Great Oreo Taste Test, LB
• 6-7:30 p.m., To Dye For: Hacky Sacks, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
• 6:30-8:30 p.m., Know Before You Go Solar, PW

14 Wednesday
• 2-3:30 p.m., Wolf Stories, RA, Foyer-4th floor
• 4 p.m., Happy Little Trees, BK
• 4 p.m., Mini Games, GI
• 4:30-6 p.m., Tween Hangout: Board Game Night, LB
• 6:30-8 p.m., The Idea Factory Presents: Felted Flowers, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 6:30 p.m., Deep Impact (PG-13), RA, InfoZone-4th floor

15 Thursday
• 1-4 p.m., Hook Nook Crochet: Lavender Sachet, PW
• 2:30 p.m., Wear a Story of Hope, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
• 2-4 p.m., Woodburnt Spoons, LB
• 4:30 p.m., Reverse Tie-Dye Shirts GV
• 5:30-7:30 p.m., 3-D Rendering 101: Blender Basics, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 5:30-7:30 p.m., Teen Choice, RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
• 6 p.m., Digital Memory Lab Orientation, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
• 6 p.m., Marcus Flores, RA, InfoZone-4th floor
• 6-8 p.m., Third Thursday Tech Club RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 7-8:30 p.m., Mystery Book Club, PW

Movies
See a favorite film for FREE at one of the library locations listed

Movies for adults

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

Aug. 7: The Martian (PG-13)
Aug. 21: Alpha (PG-13)
Aug. 28: Passengers (PG-13)

PBS POV Documentary

Tea Time (NR)
Thursday, Aug. 8, 7-9 p.m., LB
A celebration of the small things that help us endure, Tea Time, filmed over five years, illuminates a beautiful paradox: As familiar worlds slip away, friendships grow ever stronger and more profound. A coproduction of ITVS International. Official Selection of the 2014 International Documentary Film Festival Amsterdam. A Coproduction of ITVS International; A Co-presentation with Latino Public Broadcasting.
This event is a collaboration with POV, PBS’ award-winning nonfiction film series. http://www.pbs.org/pov/

Indy Film Series

Antonio Lopez 1970: Sex Fashion & Disco (NR)
Saturday, Aug. 17, 4-6 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
A time capsule of Paris and New York between 1969 and 1973 as viewed through the eyes of Antonio Lopez (1943-1987), the dominant fashion illustrator of the time. A native of Puerto Rico and raised in The Bronx, Antonio was a seductive arbiter of style and glamour who, beginning in the 1960s, brought elements of the urban street to a postwar fashion world desperate for change and diversity. Characters of the era come together to create a vivid portrait of Antonio Lopez and the revolutionary fashion world he helped create.

Movies for kids

Weekend matinee
Saturdays, 3 p.m. and Sundays, 2 p.m. RA, InfoZone-4th floor

Aug. 3 and 4: Snow Dogs (PG)
Aug. 10 and 11: A Wrinkle in Time (PG)
Aug. 17 and 18: Norm of the North (PG)
Aug. 24 and 25: A Dog’s Way Home (PG)
Aug. 31: Wonder (PG)

Fun Friday Movie
12:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

Aug. 2: Monsters University (G)
Aug. 9: How to Train your Dragon — The Hidden World (PG)
Aug. 16: Mary Poppins Returns (PG)
Aug. 30: Moana (PG)

Movie Matinee
Pokémon Detective Pikachu (PG)
Friday, Aug. 23, 2-4 p.m., GV
Join us for a movie and fresh made popcorn.

Family Movie
Trolls (PG)
Saturday, Aug. 17, noon-2:30 p.m., LB
After the Bergens invade Troll Village, Poppy, the happiest Troll ever born, and the overly-cautious, curmudgeonly Branch set off on a journey to rescue her friends.

www.pueblolibrary.org
Idea Factory Make and Take: Lava Bead Necklaces
Saturday, Aug. 10, all day
All ages. Make and take your very own lava bead necklace. All supplies provided — while they last.

Origami Odyssey
Let your imagination unfold while learning the Japanese art of paper folding. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Open Folding
Sunday, Aug. 11, 2-4 p.m.
All experience levels welcome.

Intermediate Folding
Wednesday, Aug. 28, 7 p.m.
Open to intermediate and advanced folders.

3-D Rendering 101: Blender Basics
Aug 15 and Aug 29, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 18 and up. Join Tim Roush of Roush 3D and Steel City Maker Center to learn the basics of 3D rendering with Blender.

Family MAKES!
Exploring Woodburning
Saturday, Aug 24, 2-4 p.m.
Ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.
Explore the art of woodburning and make a piece of wood burned art to take home. All ages and their families welcome.

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

August 2019
16 Friday
• All day, Genealogical Society of Hispanic America conference, RA, InfoZone and Rylas Room-4th floor
• 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Greenhorn Valley Craft and Local Vendor Market, GV
• 11 a.m., Family Coloring Program, GI
• 12:30 p.m., Mary Poppins Returns (PG), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
• 1:30-3 p.m., Kids Zumba*, LB
• 2 p.m., Family Coloring Program, BK
• 4 p.m., Maker Mania: Video Games and Pizza, RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
• 6-8 p.m., Video Game Lock-In, BK

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• 9 a.m.-2 p.m., First Aid and CPR Certification, GV
• 11 a.m., Family Coloring Program, LB
• Noon-2:30 p.m., Trolls (PG), LB
• 3 p.m., Norm of the North (PG), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
• 4-6 p.m., Antonio Lopez 1970: Sex Fashion & Disco (NR), RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor

18 Sunday
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• 2 p.m., Norm of the North (PG), RA, InfoZone-4th floor

19 Monday
• 11 a.m., Babewearing Dance Class, RA, Rylas Room-4th floor
• 2:30 p.m., Internet and email Basics, GV

20 Tuesday
• 10 a.m.-noon, ArtHealing Workshop, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
• 2-4 p.m., Google Sheets, RA, Thurston Room-3rd floor
• 4:30-6 p.m., Button Making, LB
• 6-8 p.m., Norm of the North Coloring Program, LW

21 Wednesday
• 3-5 p.m., DIY Crafts: Dream Catchers, PW
• 5:30-7:30 p.m., Pueblo Write Now, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
• 6 p.m., Learn to Play the Guitar, RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
• 6:30 p.m., Alphs (PG-13), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
• 7:30 p.m., Mystery Book Club, PW

22 Thursday
• 11 a.m., Storytime and Craft at the Pueblo Mall, Children’s Play Area
• 2-4 p.m., Japanese Tea Ceremony and Tea Tasting, LB
• 4:30 p.m., Family Coloring Program, LB
• 6-7:30 p.m., Space Shirts, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor

23 Friday
• 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Vitalant Blood Drive, PW, Parking Lot
• Noon, Teen Advisory Board, RA, Teen Zone-2nd floor
• 1 p.m., Youth Meal, LB
• 1:30-3 p.m., Fun Fridays at Lamb, LB
• 2-4 p.m., Pokemon Detective Pikachu (PG), GV
• 2-4 p.m., Family Coloring Program, RA, Youth Program Room-1st floor
• 4 p.m., Maker Mania: Pulled String Art, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor

For more info or to register contact Sharon Rice at (719) 553-0213 or email sharon.rice@pueblolibrary.org Programs are at Rawlings Library, Idea Factory, 2nd floor.

StoryKeepers: Survivor Stories
Saturday, Aug. 3, 10 a.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Sharing stories from significant events in America’s history. Attendees can share their stories open mic style or just listen. Connecting generations and preserving legacies is our passion. Door prizes and refreshments provided.

Memory Cafe: Paint the Stars
Thursday, Aug. 8, 10:30 a.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
This month: Create your own galaxy painting on canvas. Memory Cafe is a monthly program that encourages social interaction and activity for aging adults and their caregivers or families.

Jean’s Story of Hope
Thursday, Aug. 15, 2-3:30 p.m., RA, Thurston Room-1st floor
SUD (Substance Use Disorder) is devastating for the person suffering from it and for those who love them. Learn about resources for medically assisted treatment and hear a personal story from someone who was affected by substance use disorder. A question and answer session will follow.

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 contact Cory at (719) 562-5600 to set up an orientation. For a list of available equipment, please visit: www.pueblolibrary.org/musicbox.

Digital Memory Lab Orientation
Thursday, Aug. 15, 6 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Orientation for the Digital Memory Lab, a space at Rawlings for free DIY digitization of photographs, slides, home movies, and more. Orientation is free and open to the public.

www.pueblolibrary.org/pueblolibraryproud
Gems of the New Mexico state archives
Presented by Marcus Flores, senior archivist
Thursday, Aug. 15, 6 p.m., RA, InfoZone 4th floor
Marcus Flores, Senior Archivist at the State Archives of New Mexico will present on the available documents in the New Mexico State Records Center and Archives. The archives house New Mexico’s oldest documents (1600s-forward) — land grants, governor’s papers, personal collections, WWI documents among others. These sources not only include Hispanic resources but records for all the ethnic groups — French, Scottish, English, Irish, Canadian, etc. — who arrived in New Mexico from the Eastern United States in the 1800s as well as trappers, traders, mountain men and merchants. Refreshments will be provided.

Marcus Flores, raised in Pecos, New Mexico, is currently a Senior Archivist at the State Archives of New Mexico.

Since the age of 15, Marcus has researched his family history. Much of the research was conducted at the State Archives of New Mexico. He recently completed a genealogy book about his 4th great-grandfather, Jose Mariano de Jesus Valdes, who settled in Huerfano County in the 1860s. He hold a bachelor’s degree in history and Spanish from New Mexico Highlands University; a master’s degree from the University of New Mexico in Spanish with a concentration in Hispanic Southwest studies and a second master’s degree in public history from Arizona State University in Tempe.

Genealogical Society of Hispanic America conference
Friday-Sunday, August 16-18, RA, InfoZone and Ryals Room-4th floor
The theme is Celebrating 30 years of Seeking Our Roots: What have we discovered and how far can we still go? Sessions include beginning genealogy, using family tree software, Native American storytelling, an 1800s murder mystery, music, information on DNA testing and more. New Mexico historian Rob Martinez will present and Estevan Rael-Galvez, New Mexico Historian (2000-2009) will be the keynote speaker.

Go to gshaan.org for information on cost, schedule and opportunities to network and connect with your family history.

Call Bob Craig at (719) 231-8708 for more information.

Southern Colorado ADA Symposium
Saturday, Aug. 31, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., RA
Service providers, advocates and community members are invited to participate in breakout sessions, simulations, movie screenings and a vendor fair to build awareness, celebrate diversity and inclusion, and promote respect of the various cultures within the disability community.

Event schedule is available at http://www.pueblolibrary.org/services/assistiveservices
For more information, contact Amy Nelson at (719) 562-5624 or amy.nelson@pueblolibrary.org.

Colorado Trust Keynote Luncheon with comedian and author Nina G
Noon, Ryals Room-4th floor
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.
Disability advocate Nina G will deliver the keynote address for the Southern Colorado ADA Symposium. This event is sponsored by the Colorado Trust; lunch will be provided. Contact Amy Nelson to make a reservation.

The “I” in Kind with Pueblo Rocks!
Friday, Aug. 2, 2 p.m., RA, Outside/Courtyard
Join Pueblo Rocks! to share your story and pose as the “I in Kind” with giant letters. Rocks and paint markers will be provided to paint kind words on rocks to share kindness in Pueblo. One rock at just the right time can change someone’s day.

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Special programs and events
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so much more of our local community crafts, baked goods, jams, soaps and the Market! Enjoy and purchase the goods on Friday, Aug. 16.

Presentation and answer session will follow the presentation. A formal question and answer session will follow the presentation. Whole House Fan. Actual Solar with San Isabel’s new Quiet Cool Whole House Fan. Actual Solar can do to make your house more efficient. Pueblo County Energy office, Black Hills Energy and San Isabel Electric Association will show you how to save money on your energy bills with available rebates. Save on summer A/C bills with San Isabel’s new Quiet Cool Whole House Fan. Actual Solar owners will discuss their experience of going solar. A formal question and answer session will follow the presentation.

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 Moline with questions, (719) 543-6234 or jcmoline606@gmail.com.

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

Play Pinochle at the Library
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.-noon and 5-7 p.m., GV
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Hardtknoxx 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.

American Sign Language for Beginners
Saturdays, Noon-2 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Learn American Sign Language. Increase your knowledge to communicate with others. This class is not for ASL Certification.

Pueblo Write Now
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Monthly programs for adults
From book clubs to workshops, you’ll find it here. For more information or to register call (719) 562-5600 or visit https://pueblolibRARY.evanced.info/signup/Calendar

Exhibits
Living with Wolves
Aug. 1-31, RA, InfoZone-4th floor
A photographic exhibit that advocates the reintroduction of wolves into western Colorado. Cosponsored by the generosity of the Rocky Mountain Wolf Project and the Colorado Chapter of the Sierra Club.

Book Clubs
Barkman Book Club
Monday, Aug. 5, 5:30-7 p.m., BK
Book: Jackie, Janet & Lee by J. Randy Taraborrelli

Book Club and Tea
Tuesday, Aug. 6, 5 p.m., GL
Book: Lonesome Dove by Larry McMurtry

Daylight Book Club
Wednesday, Aug. 7, 10-11:30 a.m., PW
Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng.

Mystery Book Club
Thursday, Aug. 15, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Book: Camino Island by John Grisham.

Pueblo West Book Club
Monday, Aug. 26, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Book: Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris

Lovely’s Digital Book Club
Tuesday, Aug. 27, 4 p.m., LB
Register: pueblolibRARY.org or email lovely.murrell@pueblolibRARY.org.

Greenhorn Valley Craft and Local Vendor Market
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History Night
Monday, Aug. 12, 6-8 p.m., GV
An evening of local history storytelling.

Mystery Book Collaboration Group
Wednesday, Aug. 21, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Meet monthly to write a mystery book.

History Round Table:
Ellis Island and Early 20th Century Immigration
Tuesday, Aug. 27, 6:30 p.m., PW
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Daylight Book Club
Wednesday, Aug. 7, 10-11:30 a.m., PW
Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng.

Mystery Book Club
Thursday, Aug. 15, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Book: Camino Island by John Grisham.

Pueblo West Book Club
Monday, Aug. 26, 7-8:30 p.m., PW
Book: Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris

Lovely’s Digital Book Club
Tuesday, Aug. 27, 4 p.m., LB
Register: pueblolibRARY.org or email lovely.murrell@pueblolibRARY.org.

Greenhorn Valley Craft and Local Vendor Market
Join us at the library for the Greenhorn Valley Craft and Local Vendor Market! Enjoy and purchase the crafts, baked goods, jams, soaps and so much more of our local community!
Monthly programs for adults

Seed Lending Library

Gardening Community
Seed Exchange
Saturday, Aug. 31, 9:30-11:30 a.m., RA, Bret Kelly A 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. Free and open to the public.

Genealogy
Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society
Saturday, Aug. 3, 12:30 p.m. RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
Admission is $5 for non-members of Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society
Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society presents Don Moon in his portrayal of Teddy Roosevelt: The Bully Moose Pulpit.

Beginning Genealogy with Noreen Riffe
Wednesday, Aug. 28, 6-8 p.m., RA Training Room-3rd floor
Join Noreen Riffe for a beginning Genealogy Workshop and learn how to research your ancestors.

Pueblo West Genealogy Club
Saturday, Aug. 10, 2-4 p.m., PW
Presentations on genealogy research skills followed by discussion. Topic: overview of genealogy resources available at the library.

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, 1-3 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.

Hook Nook Crochet: Lavender Sachet
Aug. 1, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., PW
Aug. 15, 1-4 p.m., PW
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
A pretty sachet perfect for a clothes drawer or fabric chest. Bring small amounts of worsted weight yarn in any color. (Some yarn available.) If you wish, bring essential oils or dried flowers in your favorite scents to fill the bag.

Sip 'n' Stroke
Friday, Aug. 2, 6-8 p.m., GV
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Cost: $25, covers 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.

Striping Yarn Wreath Workshop
Saturday, Aug. 10, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., GV
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 18 and up. Celebrate summer with the library by learning how to make a colorful wreath for your home. We will be using stripping yarn and fun decorations to make a wreath your neighbors will be jealous of. Free and all supplies included.

Pueblo West Open Sew Aug. 12, and Aug. 27, 6-8:30 p.m., PW
Open sewing class with Pueblo West Quilters group.

To Dye For: Hacky Sacks Tuesday, Aug. 13, 6-7:30 p.m., RA
Thurston Room-1st floor
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 13 and up. One hacky sack per person will be provided. Feel free to bring another item to dye. Will also demonstrate techniques to do reverse dying.

Happy Little Trees
Wednesday, Aug. 14, 4 p.m., BK
All Ages. Enjoy hanging out and painting space scenes. Painting supplies provided but can bring your own.

DIY Crafts: Dream Catchers Wednesday, Aug. 21, 3-5 p.m., PW
Space Shirts Thursday, Aug. 22, 6-7:30 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Ages 10 and up. Create your very own space-scape on a shirt! Must bring your own blank shirt — T-shirt or long-sleeve, preferably black or dark blue. All other materials provided.

Sewing: Curtains Wednesday, Aug. 28, 4-6 p.m., GI
Bring your own fabric or use ours to make window treatments for your home. Don’t forget to measure your windows!
Monthly programs for adults

**Health**

**Senior Strength Training**
Mondays, 9 a.m., PW

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

**Tai Chi and Qigong Massage**
**Mondays, 5 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4th floor**
**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.  

**Zumba®**
Thursday, Aug. 8, 6:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
**Ages 18 and up.** Join a certified Zumba® instructor for an energetic fitness program.

**First Aid and CPR Certification**
Saturday, Aug. 17, 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, Aug. 23
**10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., PW**
Blood drive in Pueblo West Library parking lot.  
**Monday, Aug. 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., RA, parking lot**
To schedule your appointment, please contact the Vitalant Appointment Center at 800-365-0006, ext. 2 or visit bonfils.org, site code #2034 or feel free to visit as a walk-in to check appointment availability. Please eat a hearty meal and drink lots of water before you donate blood.

**Monthly Meetings**

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

**Pueblo West Quilters**
Monday, Aug. 5, 5:30-8:30 p.m., PW

**Pueblo West Women’s League**
Tuesday, Aug. 13, noon-2 p.m., PW

**Pueblo Model Railroad Association**
Tuesday, Aug. 6, 6-8 p.m., PW

**Machine Embroidery Club**
Thursday, Aug. 8, 1-3 p.m., PW

**Southern Colorado Watercolor Society**
Thursday, Aug. 20, 6-8:30 p.m., PW

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**Making their mark**
Patrons take part in Lamb’s adult Summer Reading program Woodburned Garden Markers.

**Get in the grow**
Growing and using herbs were the topic of Barkman’s adult Summer Reading program in June.

**COMING IN SEPTEMBER**

**Buffalo Field Campaign Road Show**
Monday, Sept. 16, 6:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Join us for a night of music by flutist Mignon Geli, storytelling by BFC cofounder Mike Mease and videos about the plight of the last wild buffalo.

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**Tons of books to choose from!**
All hardback fiction books with authors whose last name begins with the letter D, E, F, G, H on sale for $2.

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**Books Again**
622 S. Union  
Pueblo, Colo. 81004  
Monday - Saturday  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Call 553-0340  
Friends of the Library  
www.booksagain-pueblo.com
All ages

Family Coloring Program
All ages welcome for a fun coloring event.
Friday, Aug. 9, 2 p.m., GV
Friday, Aug. 16, 11 a.m., GI
Friday, Aug. 16, 2 p.m., BK
Saturday, Aug. 17, 11 a.m., LB
Thursday, Aug. 22, 4:30 p.m., LU
Friday, Aug. 23, 2-4 p.m., RA,
Youth Program Room-1st floor
Saturday, Aug. 24, 3-5 p.m., PW,
Story Teller’s Room

Babywearing Dance Class
Monday, Aug. 19, 11 a.m., RA,
Ryals Room-4th floor
Monday, Aug. 26, 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. Participants are encouraged to bring a water bottle to the program.

Hoop Hangings
Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2-4 p.m., BK
All ages. Join us to make colorful hoop wall hangings with feathers, ribbons, flowers and beads!

Kids Club
Mondays, 3 p.m., RA,
Youth Program Room-1st floor
Ages 5-8. A weekly program designed to encourage creativity while having fun!
Aug. 5: Games
Aug. 12: Legoes and Cubelets
Aug. 19: Play-Doh
Aug. 26: Crafts

Online Gaming Club:
Roblox
Saturday, Aug. 3, 10 a.m.-noon., GI
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Some games will need parents permission to login.
Join fellow online gamers to explore games together and make friends. This month ROBLOX.

Smokey Bear’s 75th Birthday Party
Friday, Aug. 9, 3:30 p.m., RA,
InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Smokey is turning 75 years old and he would like to celebrate with you! Learn how you can help Smokey Bear prevent wildfires and celebrate his birthday with some cake and goodie bags.

Wolf Stories
Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2:30-3 p.m., RA,
Foyer-4th floor
Join Miss Connie in the InfoZone’s Living with Wolves den for wolf themed stories. Stay to see and interact with the National Geographic’s Living with Wolves exhibit which brings you face-to-face with a wolf pack. For children of all ages.
**Tweens (ages 9-12)**

**Tween Hangout**
Thursdays, 4:30 p.m., RA, Youth Services Program Room-1st floor

**TWEEN HANGOUT**
Wednesdays, 4:30-6 p.m., LB
Enter the Tween Zone! Wednesdays are Tween Takeover! Join us for activities and snacks! Aug. 7: Painting Party
Aug. 14: Board Game Night
Aug. 28: Minute to Win It Challenges

**DIY Lip Balm and Soap**
Thursday, Aug. 1, 2 p.m., LB
Play games, make things and hang out. New activities every week! This week: DIY Lip Balms and Soaps

**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.
Sept 6: 1 p.m., LB

**Lamb Programs**
Sit Means Sit
Friday Aug. 9, 1:30-3 p.m., LB
Meet a therapy dog with presenter, Sit Means Sit!

**Kids Zumba**
Aug. 16, 1:30-3 p.m., LB
Join us for a fun fitness class that will get kids moving to the beat! Presented by ZOU! Productions.

**More Friday fun**
Aug. 23 and 30, 1:30-3 p.m.
Learning and fun at the library every Friday! Each week will feature a fun craft or special presenter.

**Tweens (ages 13 and up)**

**Rawlings Teen Night**
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m., RA, Teen Zone-2nd floor
Aug. 6: Video Game Edition
5:30-7:30 p.m., InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Aug. 15: Teen Choice
5:30-7:30 p.m., Ryals Room-4th floor
Aug. 29: Movie Edition
5:30-7:30 p.m., InfoZone Theater-4th floor

**Button Making**
Thursday, Aug. 8, 4:30 p.m., GV
Make buttons to your heart’s content! We will have some pre-printed images and patterns for you to use as well as a computer set up so you can find or make your own custom designs. All materials provided.

**Online Gaming**
Roblox by Tweens for Teens
Friday, Aug. 9, 4-6 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Learn about the games and play online with your friends.

**Fandom Buttons**
Friday, Aug. 2, 3 p.m.
PW, Jerry King B
A variety of images are available for creating fandom buttons. Are you a fan of Pokemon, Harry Potter, Disney, and more? We’ve got you covered!

**Maker Mania**
4 p.m., RA
Back to School Crafts
Idea Factory-2nd floor
Aug. 9: Celebrate back to school with fun crafts. All ages and their families welcome.

**Video Games and Pizza**
InfoZone Theater-4th floor
Aug. 16: Ages 4-12
Pullied String Art
Idea Factory-2nd floor
Aug. 23: Learn how to make beautiful and creative art with string and dye! All ages and their families welcome.

**STREAM Friday**
Idea Factory-2nd floor
Aug. 30: Have fun learning about and playing with various robotics and circuits! All ages and their families welcome.

**Dungeons & Dragons**
Fridays, 1-3 p.m., RA, Barket Kelly B-1st floor
(except on Aug. 23)
Ages 8-18. Dungeons and Dragons available for tween and teen players. No experience necessary.

**Laser Tag Lock-In**
Friday, Aug. 9, 6-8 p.m., GI
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Parent or guardian must sign a permission slip before play.
Ages 9-16. Challenge your friends to capture the flag and other games. Pizza provided

**Mini Games**
Wednesday, Aug. 14, 4 p.m., GI
Play miniature versions of ping-pong, foosball, and pool.

**Video Game Lock-In**
Friday, Aug. 16, 6-8 p.m., BK
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Parent or guardian must sign a permission slip before play.
Ages 9-18. Two hours of games.

**Nerf Gun Lock-In**
Friday, Aug. 30, 6-8 p.m., BK
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
Parent or guardian must sign a permission slip before play.
Ages 9-18. Join us for a Nerf-Gun Battle! Please bring your own Nerf if possible, extras are limited.

**Teen Advisory Board**
Friday, Aug. 23, noon, RA, Teen Zone
Teen Advisory Board meets with the Teen Librarian at Rawlings to find out about potential volunteer opportunities, help plan future events, and share books and ideas. This is an inclusive group open to all teens 13-18 years old.

If you are looking to get volunteer hours for your participation in the Teen Advisory Board, please complete a Teen Volunteer application, which can be found on our website at www.pueblolibrary.org/volunteer-opportunities
Friends of the Library Membership Form

Name or Organization ________________________________

Address ___________________________________________

City/State/Zip _______________________________________

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A life in print

Who was Robert Hoag Rawlings, namesake of Rawlings Library? Get a glimpse into the biography of the longtime owner and publisher of The Pueblo Chieftain newspaper and learn more about his many contributions to Pueblo City-County Library District and the Pueblo community. Now on display on the first floor of Rawlings Library, the exhibit was curated by former manager of Special Collections and Museum Services Maria Tucker and generously funded by the Rawlings Foundation.