Leadership Institute now accepting applications

Applications due Friday, Jan. 8, 2016.
Contact Midori Clark at 719-562-5605 or email midori.clark@pueblolibrary.org for complete details.

Women in grades 10-12 are invited to apply to be part of the first ever Leadership Institute, a fundraiser for the Pueblo Library Foundation.

This is a character-building program where participants will learn about leadership, teamwork, volunteering and be recognized publicly as the next generation of leaders and philanthropists in Pueblo.

This will be a life-changing opportunity to make friends, learn about leadership and impact the lives of Pueblo's citizenry through supporting the public library.

The six-month institute will culminate with the Bal de Bibliotheque, a one-of-a-kind event where all participants will be publicly recognized for their accomplishments and introduced to the community. Proceeds benefit the Pueblo Library Foundation's endowment fund.

New library anniversary celebration
Saturday, Dec. 12, 2 p.m., LU

Enjoy craft activities and have cake and punch to celebrate Lucero Library being open one year!
State of the Library

by Jon Walker

I am frequently asked questions like, “How are things at the library?” To sum up recent activities, I’d say things are, in a word, busy. We checked out more library materials than ever in the history of PCCLD last year; and, so far in 2015, our checkouts are more than 23 percent ahead of that record-setting 2014 pace. Our community’s positive response to the library is reflected in Library Research Service data showing we are ranked number one in key areas for a community our size, such as the number of people visiting our libraries per capita and the number of people attending library-sponsored educational and cultural programs and events on a per capita basis.

We are preparing now for even a better year in 2016. The new libraries in the Greenhorn Valley, in the county east of the City of Pueblo, and in Pueblo’s east side neighborhood are making positive differences. Our older libraries — Barkman Library, Lamb Library, Pueblo West Library, Library @ the Y, and Rawlings Library — also continue to experience increasingly heavy use. Librarians and employees throughout the library district work in impressive ways to make our buildings lively places dedicated to literacy, lifelong learning and the notion that our free society thrives best when free and open access to information for all is guaranteed.

Adult literacy programs

Register at pueblolibrary.org or call Ashley Osterhout at 553-0206.

Speak English!
Conversation Club

Mondays, 6-7:30 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly B
Practice your English conversational skills with others through fun activities. Open to all students, beginning through advanced. No registration required.

Jump Start your GED!
Saturday, Dec. 5, 11 a.m.-noon, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
Would you like to study for the GED test, but aren’t sure where to start? This session will provide basics about the GED and an overview of local classes and testing centers. You will also learn about the free resources available at the library.

Become an Adult Literacy and ESL Tutor!
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2-3 p.m., RA, Idea Factory
Do you have a passion for helping others? Then we are looking for YOU! Learn how you can help adult learners with limited literacy skills improve their reading, writing and speaking abilities. No previous teaching or tutoring experience is required.

Homebound Program

Call 553-0233 or email homebound@pueblolibrary.org.

Volunteers needed!
Looking for an enjoyable way to make a difference? Help deliver/retrieve library materials to and from customers who are unable to visit.

Homebound Services applications go green!
Send applications electronically! Go to pueblolibrary.org. From the Services tab; select Homebound.
Booklovers Blacktie Ball was out of this world!

The eighth annual Booklovers Blacktie Ball was held on Saturday, Nov. 7 at Rawlings Library in conjunction with the 11th annual All Pueblo Reads month. Guests enjoyed the evening hearing about Tory’s adventures with miniature models and his passion for blowing things up.
December 2015

8 Tuesday
- 10 a.m.- noon, Computer Open Lab, PW
- 10:30 a.m., Digital History Presentation, RA, InfoZone-4th floor
- 12:30-3:30 p.m., Cast-off Knitting and Craft Group, PW-GLCF Room
- 1-3 p.m., Fiber Art Club "Yarnies," RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- 2 p.m., Microsoft Excel Basics, RA, training room-3rd floor
- 4 p.m., Make it: Snow, PW
- 4:45-6 p.m., Grupo Folklorico del Pueblo-The People's Folk Group, LU
- 6:30 p.m., The Spirit of the Beehive (1973) (NR), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
- 6:30 p.m., Teen Advisory Board, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- 7:30 p.m., Hour of Code, RA, training room-3rd floor

9 Wednesday
- 2-3 p.m., Grandfolks Online, RA, training room-3rd floor
- 4 p.m., Paper Circuits: LED Christmas Cards, LU
- 5:30 p.m., Gifts in a Jar, GI
- 6:30 p.m., The Hundred Foot Journey (PG), RA, InfoZone-4th floor

10 Thursday
- 1-3 p.m., Crafty Needles, BK
- 4 p.m., Try it: Hour of Code, RA, training room-3rd floor
- 5 p.m., Teen Movie: Paper Towns (PG-13), PW
- 5:15 p.m.-6:40 p.m., Maker Club, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- 6:30 p.m., Wild Tales/Relatos Salvajes (R), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
- 6:30 p.m., Dolls from Factory-2nd floor
- 9:30-10:30 a.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor

11 Friday
- 9 a.m., Passport Kids, BS
- 11 a.m., Family Fun: Shrinky Dink Ornaments, GI
- 1 p.m., Anime Club, PW
- 2 p.m., Family Fun: Shrinky Dink Ornaments, LB
- 2 p.m., Passport Kids, GV
- 2:30 p.m., Read Dog, Read!, GV, RA
- 3 p.m., Barkman movie TBA, BK
- 3 p.m., Holiday Gift Creations, GI
- 4 p.m., Teen Craft Night: DIY Holiday Gifts, LB
- 5 p.m., Winter Sleepover, GV
- 6 p.m., Minecraft Lock-in, BK

Tech Tidbits

COMPUTER CLASSES

Intro to Computers
Tuesday, Dec. 1
Microsoft Excel Basics
Tuesday, Dec. 8
Microsoft Word Basics
Tuesday, Dec. 15

COMPUTER CLASSES AT THE BRANCHES

Computer/Device Help
Tuesday, Dec. 15, 3 p.m., GI
Receive assistance with any computer/device.

Computer Open Lab
Tuesdays, Dec. 8-29, 10 a.m.- noon, PW
Walk-ins welcome. Bring computer or E-book questions! Bring a device to practice on or use one of the library computers.

Grandfolks Online
Wednesdays, Dec 2-30, 2-3 p.m., RA, training room-3rd floor
Always wanted to "go online" with the Internet, but never knew where to start? This five-part series will teach you everything you need to know about e-mail, Facebook, Google search and more. Classes are taught by David Hartkop. Bring a notebook (optional) and get ready to have fun!

Dec. 2: Get your own free e-mail address
Dec. 9: Set up your own Facebook and chat with family
Dec. 16: Sending and Receiving Pictures
Dec. 23: Google Searching – Find information about anything!
Dec. 30: Pinterest – a fun way to collect and share ideas and projects
Movies @ the Library
See a favorite film at one of the many library locations listed!

All movies are free!

Wednesday Movies
6:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor
Focus (R) Dec. 2
The Hundred Foot Journey (PG) Dec. 9
Love, Actually (R) Dec. 16
The Theory of Everything (PG-13) Dec. 30

Hispanic Resource Films
6:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor
The Spirit of the Beehive (1973) (NR) Dec. 7
Disneynature: Monkey Kingdom 2 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor

Saturday/Sunday movies
2 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor
Disneynature: Monkey Kingdom (PG) Dec. 5, 6
Rise of the Guardians (PG) Dec. 12, 13
Tinker Bell: Secret of the Wings (G) Dec. 19
Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga’Hoole (PG) Dec. 26

Teen Movie Night (13 +)
Jurassic World (PG-13) Dec. 1, 6:30 p.m. RA, InfoZone-4th floor
Paper Towns (PG-13) Dec. 10 5 p.m., PW
Jurassic World (PG-13) Dec. 18 2 p.m., LB

Classic Christmas Theme Movie:
It’s A Wonderful Life (PG) Tuesday, Dec. 15, 6:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor

Holiday movies
Mondays, 6:30 p.m.
RA, InfoZone-4th floor
White Christmas (NR) Dec. 7
Christmas with the Kranks (PG) Dec. 14
A Christmas Carol (NR) (1938) Dec. 21
The Santa Clause (PG) Dec. 28
Winter movies
11 a.m., 3 p.m.
RA, InfoZone-4th floor
The Polar Express (G) Dec. 21
The Muppet Christmas Carol (G) Dec. 22
Mickey’s Twice Upon A Christmas (G) Dec. 23
Happy Feet Two (PG) Dec. 28
Labyrinth (PG) Dec. 29
The Pebble and the Penguin (G) Dec. 30
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Dec. 31

Winter movies
11 a.m., 3 p.m.
RA, InfoZone-4th floor
White Christmas (NR) Dec. 7
Christmas with the Kranks (PG) Dec. 14
A Christmas Carol (NR) (1938) Dec. 21
The Santa Clause (PG) Dec. 28

Movies at the branches
Afternoon Movies, TBA
Fridays, Dec. 4-18, 3 p.m., BK

Holiday Break Matinee Movies
3 p.m., LU
Minions (PG) Dec. 21
Cinderella (PG) Dec. 22
Inside Out (PG) Dec. 23
Tomorrowland (PG) Dec. 31

Matinee Movies, 2 p.m., GV
Shaun the Sheep (PG) Dec. 28
Molly Moon and the Incredible Book of Hypnotism (PG) Dec. 29
Minions (PG) Dec. 30
Cinderella (PG) Dec. 31

Minion Movie Madness
Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2 p.m, GI, PW
Watch Minions (PG) and make a craft.

Marvel Movie Marathon
Tuesday, Dec. 22, noon, PW
Marvel movies all afternoon.

INDEPENDENT FILMS
El Arcoiris Southern Colorado LGBT Film Fiesta
6:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 17; 6:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18
4:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 19; all at RA, InfoZone-4th floor

A LGBT Film Festival that celebrates common struggles and accomplishments through award winning and acclaimed LGBT cinema from across the world. Visit www.pueblolibrary.org/infozoneevents for complete movie listings

LYFE: A film by SeaDrake Studios
Tuesday, Dec. 29, 6:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor

SeaDrake Studios is an up-and-coming film production company that specializes in independent filmmaking. Their latest feature film is LYFE, a docudrama about four friends in college who set out to film their lives for the course of one year, exploring friendship, love, loss, family and the power of change.

December 2015
12 Saturday
• 9:30 a.m., Phone Help, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 10 a.m., Lego Mania, RA
• Noon, Nutcracker in a Nutshell, RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
• 1-3 p.m., Guerrero Family Stocking Giveaway, LU
• 2 p.m., Anniversary celebration, LU
• 2 p.m. Family Fun: Shrinky Dink Ornaments, RA
• 2 p.m. Rise of the Guardians (PG), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
• 2:30 p.m., Read Dog, Read!
• 4:30 p.m., Make it: Snow, GV
• 6 p.m., DIY Scrubs & Such, GV

13 Sunday
• 2 p.m., Rise of the Guardians (PG), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
• 2 p.m., Oinkers Odyssey, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 3 p.m., Nutcracker in a Nutshell, PW (library open for program only)

14 Monday
• 4-8 p.m., Swedish Weavers and Needlework Group, PW-King Room A
• 1 p.m., Lamb Needlework Club, LB
• 1-8 p.m., Pueblo Storytellers, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 4:30 p.m., Art of Journaling, LU
• 5:30 p.m., Yarn Club, GV
• 6-8 p.m., Ma Jongg Club, PW-GLFC room
• 6-7:30 p.m., Speak English! Conversation Club, RA, Bret Kelly B
• 6:30 p.m., Christmas with the Kranks (PG), RA-InfoZone-4th floor
• 6:30 p.m., Felted Flurries, LB

15 Tuesday
• 10 a.m.-noon, Computer Open Lab, PW
• 10:30 a.m., Pre-School STEAM, GI
• 12:30-3:30 p.m., Cast-off Knitting and Craft Group, PW-GLFC Room
• 1-3 p.m., Fiber Art Club “Yarnies,” RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
• 2 p.m., Microsoft Word Basics, RA, training room-3rd floor
• 3 p.m., Computer/Device Help, GI
• 4:45-6 p.m., Grupo Folklorico del Pueblo-The People’s Folk Group, LU
• 6:30 p.m., Anime Club, LB
• 6:30 p.m., Classic Christmas Theme Movie: It’s A Wonderful Life, RA, InfoZone-4th floor
• 6:30 p.m., Teen Craft Night: DIY Holiday Gifts, RA
December 2015

16 Wednesday
- 1-3 p.m., Genealogy Workshop, RA, Training Room-3rd floor
- 2-3 p.m., Become an Adult Literacy and ESL Tutor, RA, Idea Factory, 2nd floor
- 2-3 p.m., Grandfolsks Online, RA, training room-3rd floor
- 4 p.m., Family Fun: Shrinky Dink Ornaments, LU
- 4 p.m., Make it: Snow, BK
- 6:30 p.m., Love, Actually (R), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
- 7 p.m., Origami Odyssey, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor

17 Thursday
- 1-3 p.m., Crafty Needles, BK
- 4 p.m., Make it: Snow, RA
- 4:30 p.m., Gingerbread Construction, L
- 5 p.m., LED Throwies, GI
- 5 p.m., Teen Craft Night: DIY Holiday Gifts, PW
- 5 p.m., Adult Anime Club, LB
- 5:15 p.m.-6:40 p.m., Maker Club, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
- 6 p.m., Light up the Library, GI
- 6:30 p.m., El Arcoiris Southern Colorado LGBT Film Fiesta, RA, InfoZone-4th floor
- 7 p.m., Mystery Book Club, PW

18 Friday
- 9 a.m., Lego Mania, BS
- 1 p.m., Anime Club, PW
- 2 p.m., Lego Mania, GV
- 2 p.m., Teen Movie: Jurassic World (PG-13), LB
- 2 p.m., Family Fun: Shrinky Dink Ornaments, BK
- 2:30 p.m., Read Dog, Read!, BK, GV, PW
- 3 p.m., Barkman movie TBA, BK
- 3 p.m., Teen Craft Night: DIY Holiday Gifts, GI
- 4:30 p.m., Teen Craft Night: DIY Holiday Gifts, GV
- 6 p.m., Scrapbooking Club, GW
- 6 p.m., Minecraft Lock-in, RA
- 6:30 p.m., El Arcoiris Southern Colorado LGBT Film Fiesta, RA, InfoZone-4th floor

19 Saturday
- 10:30 a.m., Preschool Dance Party, RA, Children’s Storytime Room
- 10:30 a.m., Minecraft Gaming Session, GI
- 11 a.m., Gingerbread Construction, LB
- Noon, 3 p.m., Grupo Folklorico del Pueblo: The People’s Folk Group, LU

What’s happening at the library
For more information or questions on these programs, or to register, please call 562-5600 or visit www.pueblolibrary.org.

BOOK CLUBS
Giodone Book Club
Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2 p.m., GI
Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee.

Daylight Book Club
Wednesday, Dec. 2, 10 a.m., PW
Any Christmas book and treats!

Barkman Book Club
Monday, Dec. 7, 6 p.m., BK
Any holiday book. Potluck dinner, bring a covered dish or dessert.

Mystery Book Club
Thursday, Dec. 17, 7 p.m., PW
The Snowman: A Harry Hole novel by Jo Nesbo.

Pueblo West Book Club
Monday, Dec. 28, 7 p.m., PW
Share a book by Sandra Dallas (Colorado author).

CLASSES/PROGRAMS
AARP Safe Driving Class
Tuesday, Dec. 1, 12:30-5 p.m., PW-King Room A
Cost: $15 for AARP members/ $20 for non-members. Call AARP at 719-553-3437 to register.
Four hour classroom course for drivers 55+. Intended to help drivers live more independently as they age and remain safe on today’s roads. There are no tests. Participants who complete the course are eligible for auto insurance discounts. Contact your insurance agent for more information on the discount.

Digital History Presentation
Tuesday, Dec. 8, 10:30 a.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor
Students from Professor Rees’ Introduction to Digital History course at CSU-Pueblo present their projects in public as part of their final exam. Projects involve Pueblo history using documents and pictures from repositories all over town, including Pueblo City-County Library District.

CRAFTS
Fiber Art Club "Yarnies"
Tuesdays, Dec. 1-29
1-3 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
Crabby Needles
Thursdays, Dec.3-31, 1-3 p.m., BK
Swedish Weavers and Needlework Group
Mondays, Dec. 7-28, 10 a.m., PW-King Room A
Cast-off Knitting and Craft Group
Tuesdays, Dec. 8-29
12:30-3:30 p.m., PW-GLFC Room
Lamb Needlework Club
Mondays, Dec. 14, 28, 1 p.m., LB
Yarn Club
Monday, Dec. 14, 5:30 p.m., GV
Scrapbooking Club
Friday, Dec. 18, 6 p.m., GV

EXHIBITS
Pueblo West History
Tuesday, Dec. 1-30, PW
View photographs and documents from the library’s Pueblo West History Collection.

Dolls from around the World
Tuesday, Dec. 1-29, RA, 3rd floor
Ethnic dolls of the world are part of a collection by author Deborah Martinez Martinez, Ph.D. publisher, and storyteller, representing Inuit, Guana, Pueblo, Spanish, Mexican and other peoples. Explore the beauty and purpose of these dolls, from learning and play, to healing and spiritual wellness.

Inspired by the Ancients
Entire month of December

RA, Hispanic Resource Art Gallery-2nd floor
Local artist Bob Craig’s Southwest and Native American Indian paintings on display.

GENEALOGY
Genealogy Workshop
Wednesday, Dec. 16
1-3 p.m., RA, Training Room-3rd floor
Give the gift of family. View unique creations of family trees to give to members of your family.

INTERACTIVE GROUPS
Pueblo West Writers Group
Tuesday, Dec. 1, 5:30-8:30 p.m., PW-King Room A
Adult Anime Club
Thursdays, Dec. 3, 17, 5 p.m., LB
Ma Jongg Club
Mondays, Dec. 7-28, 6-8 p.m., PW-GLFC room
Pueblo Storytellers
Mondays, Dec. 7-18, 1-2:30 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
Origami Odyssey
Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2 p.m. and Wednesday, Dec. 16
7 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
Make easy, interesting and fun models. All ages. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.
T'IS THE SEASON
Holiday Mixology
Wednesday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m., GV
  Registration required. Ages 21 and up. It’s the art of Mixology! Spice up holiday cocktail parties and create new personalized drinks with help from Brian Palomar and Keith Avery of the Downtown Bar in Pueblo!

Holiday Cookie Swap
Friday, Dec. 4, 4:30 p.m., GI
  Registration required. Limit of 24. Make two dozen of your favorite cookies and swap them with others. Participants are asked to provide a copy of the recipe ahead of time for staff to compile into a take home document.

Holiday Crafts and Cookies
Saturday, Dec. 5, 3-4:30 p.m., PW
  Enjoy fun holiday crafts for the whole family as well as cookies and snacks before viewing the Holiday Lights Parade. Crafts include gingerbread house making and ornament making. Enter the gingerbread house into a contest at the library!

Felted Flurries
Monday, Dec. 7, 6:30 p.m., GV
Monday, Dec. 14, 6:30 p.m., LB
  Ages teen to adult. Registration required. Join the Felted Dog for a holiday needle-felting party!
  Bring a favorite holiday dessert to share while felting winter and holiday ornaments!

Gifts in a Jar
Wednesday, Dec. 9, 5:30 p.m., GI
  Ingredients and decorations provided. Participants are asked to bring a jar with a lid.

DIY Scrubs & Such
Saturday, Dec. 12, 6 p.m., GV
  Registration required. Ages teen to adult. Make bath and body scrubs! Perfect for holiday gift-giving.

Santa Visits the Library!
Saturday, Dec. 19, 2 p.m., BK
  Create a holiday craft, enjoy refreshments and bring wish lists to share with Santa Claus! Take a photo with Santa Claus (bring own camera). Songs and stories, too!

Cookie Exchange Tea Party
Saturday, Dec. 19, 4 p.m., LB
  Participants are asked to bring a dozen homemade cookies to show off baking skills and share them with friends! Tea provided.

20 Sunday
  • Library closed

21 Monday
  • all day, Holiday Crafts, GI, LU, GV
  • 10 a.m., Swedish Weavers and Needlework Group, PW-King Room A
  • 11 a.m., The Polar Express (G), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
  • 1-2:30 p.m., Pueblo Storytellers, RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
  • 2:30 p.m., Sugar Cookie Decorating, BK
  • 3 p.m., Mincemeat (PG), LU
  • 3 p.m., Holiday Crafts, RA, youth services
  • 3 p.m., The Polar Express (G), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
  • 4-6 p.m., Gingerbread Gone Wild!, GV
  • 6-8 p.m., Ma Jongg Club, PW-GLFC room
  • 6-7:30 p.m., Speak English! Conversation Club, RA, Brett Kelly B
  • 6:30 p.m., A Christmas Carol (NR), PW-King Room A
  • 6-8 p.m., Ma Jongg Club, PW-GLFC room

22 Tuesday
  • all day, Holiday Crafts, GI, LU, GV
  • 10 a.m. noon, Computer Open Lab, PW
  • Noon, Marvel Movie Marathon, PW
  • 11 a.m., The Muppet Christmas Carol (G), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
  • 12:30-3:30 p.m., Cast-off Knitting and Craft Group, PW-GLFC Room
  • 1-3 p.m., Fiber Art Club “Yarnies,” RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor
  • 2 p.m., Microsoft Powerpoint Basics, RA, training room-3rd floor
  • 3 p.m., The Muppet Christmas Carol (G), RA, InfoZone-4th floor
  • 3 p.m., Holiday Crafts, RA, youth services
Family Fun: Shrinky Dink Ornaments
Friday, Dec. 4, 9 a.m., BS, 3 p.m., GV, 4 p.m., PW
Friday, Dec. 11, 11 a.m., GI, 2 p.m., LB
Saturday, Dec. 12, 2 p.m., RA
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 4 p.m., LU
Friday, Dec. 18, 2 p.m., BK
Bring the entire family to make a special shrinky dink ornament to decorate for the holidays.

Lego Mania
Friday, Dec. 4, 2 p.m., LB  Saturday, Dec. 12, 26, 10 a.m., RA
Friday, Dec. 18, 9 a.m., BS, 2 p.m., GV
Monday, Dec. 28, 3 p.m., GI  Wednesday, Dec. 30, 3 p.m., LU
All ages. Build your own creations with Legos and Marble Runs. Lego Duplos will be provided for the youngest builders.

Read Dog, Read!, 2:30 p.m.
Fridays, Dec. 4, 18, PW, Friday, Dec. 11, RA
Saturday, Dec. 12, LB, Friday, Dec. 18, BK, Fridays, GV
Want to practice your reading? Join us to read a story to a Canine Good Citizen certified dog from either Sit Means Sit: Go Team or the GHV Tale Waggers, Therapy Dogs International.

Snowflake Making
Saturday, Dec. 5, 4 p.m., LB
All ages. Make intricate paper snowflakes and snowflake window decals to decorate your own winter wonderland!

Passport Kids
Friday, Dec. 11, 9 a.m., BS, 2 p.m., GV
Ages 5-12. Explore the world through multicultural stories, crafts and activities! Participants will experience a new country each month and will earn passport stamps as they travel the globe.

Winter Sleepover
Friday, Dec. 11, 6 p.m., GV
Drop off your favorite stuffed animal for a special winter sleepover! Pickup your stuffed animal the next day and receive an ornament with their picture while watching a slideshow of their overnight shenanigans.

Holiday Gift Creations
Friday, Dec. 11, 3 p.m., GI
All ages. Create fun gifts for family or friends. Assorted projects, while supplies last.

For more information on Youth Services events, please call 562-5600.
Guerrero Family Stocking Giveaway
Saturday, Dec. 12, 1-3 p.m., LU
Visit Santa! The first 100 children will receive a free Christmas stocking and book.

Nutcracker in a Nutshell
Saturday, Dec. 12	noon, RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
Sunday, Dec. 13, 3 p.m., PW (library open for program only).
Join us for a magical live performance! Be a part of Clara’s adventure! Clara’s parents, Herr and Frau Stahlbaum, throw a magnificent party for our homecoming heroes, and then Clara’s favorite hero comes home. Her godfather, Herr Drosselmeyer, and her favorite soldier take her on a magical journey through an epic battle, a winter wonderland and the mesmerizing Land of the Sweets. Brought to you by Sangre de Cristo Arts Center.

Pre-School STEAM
Tuesday, Dec. 15, 10:30 a.m., GI
Bring your preschooler to our fun hands-on programs that will introduce them to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. This month’s theme—magnetism!

Gingerbread Construction
Thursday, Dec. 17, 4:30 p.m., LU
Saturday, Dec. 19, 11 a.m., LB, 3 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
Fun for the whole family. Create a unique gingerbread house.

Preschool Dance Party
Saturday, Dec. 19, 10:30 a.m., RA, Children’s Storytime Room
Do you like to boogie? Can you shake your booty? Get movin’ and groovin’ with our jammin’ librarians at the Preschool Dance Party!

Gingerbread Gone Wild!
Monday, Dec. 21, 4-6 p.m., GV
All ages. Decorate a gingerbread dinosaur for a T. Rex-tra-special holiday treat!

Sugar Cookie Decorating
Monday, Dec. 21, 2:30 p.m., BK
All ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Decorate cookies to take home! While supplies last.

Holiday Crafts
Monday, Dec. 21-23, 3 p.m., RA, youth services; all day, GI, LU
Monday, Dec. 21-23, 26, all day, GV
Make snowflakes, ornaments and more. Different crafts available at each location. Try them all while supplies last.

New Year’s Craft
Wednesday, Dec. 30, all day, GI
Make New Year’s crafts and fun stuff for your new year’s party. While supplies last.

Frozen Festival
Wednesday, Dec. 30, 11 a.m., RA, Youth Services
Have fun with crafts and games featuring your favorites from the movie Frozen!

Build a Glider!
Wednesday, Dec. 30, 4 p.m., GV
Ages 8 and up. Make and fly gliders controlled by an invisible wave of deflected air! Amaze your friends and family with this marvel of modern physics! Presented and sponsored by Colorado City Parks & Rec.
**Teen Scene . . . ages 8 - 12**

**Make it: Snow**
Friday, Dec. 4, 3 p.m., GI
Tuesday, Dec. 8, 4 p.m., PW
Saturday, Dec. 12, 4:30 p.m., GV
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 4 p.m., BK
Thursday, Dec. 17, 4 p.m., RA
Monday, Dec. 28, 4:30 p.m., LB
Tuesday, Dec. 29, 5 p.m., LU

Build an igloo, cut out Minecraft snowflakes and take snow-filled pictures to share with family, all while indoors!

**Paper Circuits:**
**LED Christmas Cards**
Wednesday, Dec. 9, 4 p.m., LU

Craft a glowing card for friends and family this holiday season with paper circuits using copper tape, LEDs and batteries.

**Imagination Chapter**
Saturdays, Dec. 5, 19, noon-2 p.m., RA-Idea Factory-2nd floor
Ages 8-15. Meetings held every other week. Imagine, create, tinker and share projects in this club that is part of the Global Imagination Foundation. One week we may build a city from cardboard, and the next we might learn how to make robots listen to our commands.

**Teen Scene ........ for ages 13 and up**

**Teen Craft Night:**
**DIY Holiday Gifts**
Friday, Dec. 11, 4 p.m., LB
Tuesday, Dec. 15, 6:30 p.m., RA
Thursday, Dec. 17, 5 p.m., PW
Friday, Dec. 18, 3 p.m., GI, 4:30 p.m., GV
Wednesday, Dec. 23, 5 p.m., BK
Monday, Dec. 28, 5 p.m., LU

Make something for everyone on your gift list at this duct tape craft program.

**Teen Advisory Board**
Thursday, Dec. 3, 5 p.m., PW
Monday, Dec. 7, 6:30 p.m., LB
Tuesday, Dec. 8, 6:30 p.m., RA, Idea Factory-2nd floor

Make a difference in your library while making new friends! Join the Teen Advisory Board once a month to tell us what you want to see offered for teens, plan and prepare for programs and discuss new materials. Meeting attendance counts as community service.

**Thursday Hangouts:**
- **Mario Kart Tournament**
  Thursday, Dec. 3, 4 p.m., RA, Bret Kelly
  Ages 6-11. Registration required.
  Space is limited. Fuel (food) provided. Racers, start your engines! It’s a Mario Kart free for all! One chance to grab fame and fortune. The race venue is Mario Kart for the Wii.
- **Try it: Hour of Code**
  Thursday, Dec. 10, 4 p.m., RA, training room-3rd floor
  Join us for the Global Hour of Code! No experience needed.
- **New Year’s 101**
  Thursday, Dec. 31, 4 p.m., RA
  Ages 6-11. Make everything needed to celebrate New Year’s Eve, from confetti poppers to noise makers!

**Hour of Code**
Tuesday, Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m., RA, training room-3rd floor
Join us for the Global Hour of Code! No experience required.

**Anime Club**
Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 15, 6:30 p.m., LB
Come discuss, draw, and watch your favorite anime.

**Art of Journaling**
Monday, Dec. 14, 4:30 p.m., LU
Ages 13 and up. Registration required. Limited to 15. Journals provided. Express your creative talents by drawing, collages and writing. Monthly program with a different theme each month.

**Light up the Library**
Thursday, Dec. 17, 6 p.m., GI
Light up the Mesa! LED Throwies are used to light up the outside of Giodone Library. Hot cocoa provided.

**Minecraft**
- **Lock-in, 6-8 p.m.**
  Friday, Dec. 11, BK  Friday, Dec. 18, RA
  Saturday, Dec. 19, GV
  Ages 9-13. Registration required. Attendance limited. A parent permission form MUST be submitted in order to attend this after-hours event. Register in person or call 562-5600.
  Minecraft is taking over the library! Enjoy uninterrupted computer play for crafting, fort building and more!
- **Gaming Session**
  Saturday, Dec. 19, 10:30 a.m., GI
  Tween/teens. Registration required.
  Uninterrupted computer play for crafting, fort building and more!

**Grupo Folklorico del Pueblo-The People’s Folk Group**
Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 15, 6:30 p.m.; Saturdays, Dec. 5, 19, noon-3 p.m., LU
Learn about cultural local history and dance through the “folklorico” approach which interprets events, people and places through dance movement.

**Teen Movie Nights**
Look on page 5 for the list of movies playing for teens at the library!

**LED Throwies**
Thursday, Dec. 17, 5 p.m., GI
Make “LED Throwies” with LEDs, watch batteries and magnets, then stay for Light Up The Library.

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**DIY Sock Animal Gifts**
Saturday, Dec 19, 1 p.m., LB
Make socktopus and other animal friends out of socks - they make great gifts!

**HOMAGO**
Tuesday, Dec. 22, 6:30 p.m., RA
Hang Out, Mess Around and Geek Out at the library!
Trustee talk: Always striving to be better
by Jim Stuart

Each time the Board of Trustees has a staff appreciation event — which we do every quarter for employees celebrating an anniversary with PCCLD, as well as those being promoted and new hires — we put great emphasis on how each and every employee is what makes the library district tops in the state and nation.

Each and every employee, manager, trustee and friend of the library is constantly working to make our organization more meaningful and useful to the citizens of Pueblo County. Here are some of the things all of us connected with PCCLD are always striving for:

- More kids reading and owning books
- Widest possible range of events and programs to appeal to many interests.
- More face time with patrons.
- Recruiting more to participate in our literacy programs
- Greater outreach to fill community needs.
- The most highly trained staff.
- All citizens of Pueblo County to be aware of the many services available at PCCLD.

These are just a few of the things that in one way or another are always on our annual plans and are constantly being improved on. And, I might add, will never be accomplished because these are not just goals, they are operating ideals that can never be as good as we would like them to be.

Some of the many gifts available for purchase at Books Again:

- Books Again
- Call 543-4688
- Friends of the Library
- 622 S. Union
- Pueblo, Colo. 81004
- Monday - Saturday
- 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- www.booksagain-pueblo.com
A month of remembrance

World AIDS Day Candlelight Vigil
Tuesday, Dec. 1
5:30 p.m., RA, Ryals Room-4th floor
Community recognition event of World AIDS Day with speakers and a candlelight vigil. Co-sponsored by:

Pueblo Memorial AIDS Quilts Display
Tuesday, Dec. 1-Wednesday, Jan. 6
RA, 4th floor
In honor of World AIDS Day on Dec. 1, the InfoZone and Pueblo Consumer Advisory Coalition will display quilts made in honor of those affected by AIDS. These beautiful quilts will be on display throughout the month.

Spirit of '45 Hospice Quilt
Tuesday, Dec. 1-31, RA, 3rd floor
In honor of the 70th anniversary of the official end of World War II, Sangre de Cristo Hospice has created a commemorative quilt in recognition of those individuals who many regard as the “greatest generation.” Each person who constructed a block of this quilt did so with a personal hero and story in mind. Some of the wonderful memories and stories will accompany the quilt.