**Friends of the Library fundraiser**

Aquarius Dreams & Psychedelic Beams or ‘Til Death Do Us Part Murder Mystery Dinner Saturday, May 10 at 6:30 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor

It is the Age of Aquarius. Jupiter is aligned with Mars. Peace guides the planets and love steers the stars. Ferd and Fiona Fauna request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Flora Fauna to Jack “Dark Cloud” Asstonni on May 10, 2008 at the mystical Ryals Room Chapel.

Wedding gifts are not required. However in the spirit of harmony and understanding, the Fauna Family requests you pay for your own dinner: $20 per person.

Please make your reservations early by calling 543-4688 or 250-5173 or mail a check to: Friends of the Library, 622 S. Union, Pueblo, CO 81003.

Don’t miss what’s sure to be a great evening of friends, food and mystery! This year’s annual-meeting play will be performed by the Colorado Performing Arts Association. For more information, please call 543-4688.

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The Rawlings Public Library was selected as the site for the 2009 Acura RDX national dealership brochure. The car company’s Los Angeles-based advertising and production team came to Pueblo for the photo shoot in March.

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In April, the library celebrates accessibility awareness.

On April 5 at the Rawlings Public Library, there will be an unveiling of new assistive technology to help people with special needs better utilize library resources.

For a number of years at the Rawlings Library, we have offered a walker and wheelchair for those in need, and about three years ago an electric scooter called a Mart Cart was purchased thanks to contributions received in memory of Robert J. Lippis.

Effective use of the library, however, can require additional assistive technologies. We are pleased that thanks to a special Library Services and Technology Act grant from the Colorado Department of Education totaling $102,200, with matching and in-kind contributions, we now will be able to provide computers featuring automatically adjustable-height tables, ergonomically adjustable chairs, special keyboards and big-track mouses, and screen-reading, zoom and other assistive software.

The library also is consulting with local experts to select books and other materials of interest to persons with special needs.

On April 17 at 2 p.m., the InfoZone Theatre at the Rawlings Library will host a speaker from Parkview’s Diabetes Center with panel discussion afterwards on the topic of “Know Your Numbers, Diabetes and You: All You Wanted to Know But Were Afraid to Ask About Diabetes.”

On April 19 at 11 a.m., Sharon Davis, a national expert on hearing loss and disability safety, will speak in the Ryals Room at the Rawlings Library on “How to Communicate Effectively with People Who Have Hearing Loss: A Primer for Business People, Teachers, and Loved Ones.”

Finally, on April 19 at 1 p.m., in the Rawlings Library Ryals Room, Richard Marold, a nationally-known scholar and Chautauqua performer, will recreate the persona of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and from his wheelchair (which was seldom seen in public during his presidency), he will address the audience with a performance entitled “Franklin Delano Roosevelt: Was He Our Nation’s Father of the Independent Living Movement?”

The Pueblo City-County Library District is proud of its mission to serve all members of our community. This series of programs and services is simply a demonstration of the library’s commitment to support access to its resources for persons with special needs.

You may reach Jon Walker, Pueblo City-County Library District Executive Director, by calling 562-5633.

Therapy animals will be at Accessibility Awareness Day.
Aaron James

Awesome women of Pueblo!

The accomplishments of women were celebrated at the 26th Annual Outstanding Women’s Awards luncheon at the Rawlings Public Library in March. Nearly 150 people were in attendance to see 17 women honored by 11 community organizations.

The 2008 winners are: Ruth Anne Blake, Rose Catulli, Sister Janice Ernst, Rafaelita Flores, Deanne Gentile, Mary Shipsey Gunn, Grace Huff, Peggy Jastremski, Rose Marie Knight, Julie Kuhlman, Bette Lunn, Pauline Pauchick, Harriet Emma Pollard, Celesta Jane Rhodes, Edana Shoaf, Meredith Silva and Melanie Tappen.

The recipients of the 2008 Outstanding Women’s Awards. They were honored at a luncheon in March at the library.

Jane Rhodes is a 2008 winner.

Nearly 150 people attended the annual Women’s History luncheon in March. Seventeen local women were honored at the event, which recognizes the contributions of women.

April 2008

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• Preschool Storytime
  White 10 & 10:30 a.m.
• Mother Goose Stories
  Rawlings 6:30 p.m.
11 Friday
• Poetry Contest Entries due.
• Really Basic Computer Class
  Rawlings 9:30 a.m.
  Training room - 3rd floor
• Mother Goose Stories
  Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.
• Preschool Storytime
  Rawlings 10:30 a.m.
  Lamb 10:30 a.m.
• Tales for Twoos
  Lamb 10:30 a.m.
• Bilingual Storytime
  Rawlings 11 a.m.
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  Rawlings 11:30 a.m.
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  Rawlings 2 p.m.
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  Barkman 10 a.m.
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  Rawlings 10 a.m.
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Barkman book-discussion group

Monday, April 7 at 7 p.m.
C. Douglas Stern, speaker and author of Go For Broke
Barkman Public Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Japanese-Americans were forcefully removed from their homes and businesses, and placed in “relocation” camps throughout the West. With countless instances of “Gestapo-like” tactics used against them, no one would have faulted them for being bitter or angry at the country that held them captive. Instead, the remarkable story of these Nisei (first generation Japanese born outside of Japan) warriors explains why they were eager to defend their American homeland, and how they became the most decorated fighting unit ever assembled in U.S. military history. For more information about the Barkman book-discussion group, please call 562-5680.

Women Reading About Women Book Club

Formational Meeting
Tuesday, April 15 at 10 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Thurston Room - 1st floor

First Book Discussion
Tuesday, April 29 at 10 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Large Meeting Room - 1st floor

You’re invited to help us start a new book club for women who like to read about other women, their contributions, and their lives. Bring a list of autobiographies, biographies, historical accounts (fictional or strictly factual), or other relevant books you’ve been planning to read. A reading list will be compiled from the group’s suggestions and a book will be picked for discussion at the next meeting on Tuesday, April 29.

The new book club will meet the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m. Plan to leave the troubles and tribulations of your own life at the door as we delve into someone else’s.

Cookies and coffee will be provided, but not daycare, so plan accordingly. For more information, call Rebecca at 562-5624.

Recycle your old electronics @ the library

Sunday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library - southeast parking lot
100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Do you have electronics at home that you’re no longer using and don’t know what to do with? The Pueblo City-County Library District is sponsoring an electronic-waste recycling event for all those gadgets and gizmos that you’re done using. Denver-based GRX is a genuine recycler dedicated to proper handling of electronic waste. They do not export unprocessed material, dump in landfills, or use prison labor. They offer complete disassembly of all electronic waste. For questions about this event, please contact: Ryan McClure at (719) 325-6673.

Items recycled for free include:
Cell phones
DVD/VCR/Stereo equipment
Printers and fax machines
Laptops

Items recycled for $8 to $25 include:
Computer monitors
TVs
Playing this month @ your library

Saturday matinee @ the InfoZone

All screenings are at 2 p.m., and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Snacks are not allowed in the theatre, but covered drinks are. The InfoZone Theatre is located on the 4th floor of the Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo. Remember all movies shown are free!

**Enchanted** (PG)  
Saturday, April 5

**Underdog** (PG)  
Saturday, April 12

**Nancy Drew** (PG)  
Saturday, April 19

**Water Horse: Legend of the Deep** (PG)  
Saturday, April 26

**Independent film series @ the InfoZone**

**Day Break** directed by Hamid Rahmanian  
Drama - Iran; English subtitles  
Saturday, April 19 at 7 p.m.  
Rawlings Public Library  
100 E. Abriendo Ave.  
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor

In Iran, capital punishment is carried out according to Islamic law, which gives the family of the victim ownership of the offender's life. **Day Break**, based on a compilation of true stories and shot inside Tehran's century-old prison, revolves around the imminent execution of Mansour, a man found guilty of murder.

When the family of the victim repeatedly fails to show up on the appointed day, Mansour's execution is postponed again and again. Stuck inside the purgatory of his own mind, he waits as time passes on without him, caught between life and death, retribution and forgiveness.

The film is free, and public seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information about the Independent Films call 562-5604 or send an e-mail to InfoZone@pueblolibrary.org.

**11th Annual Poetry Contest**

Calling all poets, third grade to adult. Everyone is invited to write a poem and enter it in the library's annual Poetry Contest. Poems may be about any topic ranging from snakes to the sunrise, happy or sad, rhyming or free form.

Winners will be chosen from various age groups. Entry forms are available at all library locations. **The deadline for entry is Friday, April 11, 2008.**

Entries may be brought to the Barkman, Lamb, Rawlings or White public libraries or mailed to: Pueblo City-County Library District, Attn: Community Relations Dept., 100 E. Abriendo Ave., Pueblo, CO. 81004. Entries may also be e-mailed to contests@pueblolibrary.org.

The poets, whose poems have been selected as the winning entries, will be invited to read their poems at a program sponsored by the Friends of the Library on Thursday, May 15 at 7 p.m. Please call 562-5606 for more information.

April is national poetry month!

### April 2008

**25 Friday**  
- Introduction to Microsoft Word  
  Rawlings 9:30 a.m.  
  Training room - 3rd floor  
- Mother Goose Stories  
  Rawlings 10 & 10:30 a.m.  
- Preschool Storytime  
  Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
  Lamb 10:30 a.m.  
- Tales for Twos  
  Lamb 10:30 a.m.  
- Bilingual Storytime  
  Rawlings 11 a.m.  
- Tales for Twos  
  Rawlings 11:30 a.m.

**26 Saturday**  
- A Rose is a Rose: Everything You Need to Know on How to Grow Roses in this Area by Linda Mculkin  
  Lamb 1:30 p.m.  
- Matinee Movie  
  **Water Horse: Legend of the Deep** (PG)  
  Rawlings 2 p.m.  
  InfoZone - 4th Floor

**27 Sunday**  
- Rawlings Library is Open 1 - 5 p.m.  
- Recycle Your Old Electronics @ the library  
  Rawlings southeast parking lot 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
  For questions about this event, please contact: Ryan McClure at (719) 325-6673

**28 Monday**  
- Mother Goose Stories  
  Rawlings 9:30 & 10 a.m.  
- Tales for Twos  
  Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

**29 Tuesday**  
- Women Reading About Women Book Club  
  Rawlings 10 a.m.  
  Thurston room - 1st floor  
- Time for Tots  
  White 10 & 10:30 a.m.  
- Preschool Storytime  
  Rawlings 10:30 a.m.

**30 Wednesday**  
- Bilingual Storytime  
  Barkman 10 a.m.  
- Mother Goose Stories  
  Rawlings 10 a.m.  
  Lamb 10:30 a.m.  
- Tales for Twos  
  Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
- Preschool Storytime  
  Rawlings 10:30 a.m.  
  Barkman 10:30 a.m.

April 22 is Earth Day!  
Celebrate by recycling your electronic waste at the Rawlings Library on April 27. Look on page 4 for details.
Kids’ Page

Kids Korner

Tuesday, April 8 at 4 p.m.
White Public Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.,
Pueblo West

Play musical games, make an instrument and learn some new dances. All grades K-5 are invited to this free event. Call 562-5660 for more information.

Call to Teachers:
Most Improved Reader Awards

The Pueblo City-County Library District is again awarding certificates of merit to children whose reading skills are the most improved.

This award is not for the best reader, but for the children who have improved their reading skills greatly though their own effort.

Please select the child from your classroom who you feel should receive this recognition. If you feel that two children deserve awards, just enter both names on the entry form. Forms are available at all library locations. Please return the completed form to:

Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004. Deadline is Friday, May 2.

Birthday party for one year olds

Saturday, April 19, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Large meeting room - 1st floor

Colorado Bright Beginnings and Pueblo City-County Library District are offering a special birthday party for one-year-old babies to draw attention to the importance of reading to babies. Library staff will provide songs and finger-play activities, and of course birthday cake! Staff members from Bright Beginnings will provide free materials on child development, a community resource guide and a child’s board book.

“Increasing the frequency of reading to young children brings big benefits later in life, including a larger vocabulary and better preparedness for entering kindergarten. Parents really do have the power to shape their child’s future,” said Nina Casteel, Bright Beginnings Bilingual Health Education Coordinator.

PCCLD offers more than 20 story times a week, including two in Spanish. They are held at various library locations for infants through preschoolers. Story time is more than just reading from a book, it incorporates techniques that teach early literacy. For more information about this free event that is open to the public, call 562-5603.

Congratulations to Pueblo Girl Essay Contest winner!

Pueblo Girl Essay Contest Winner Haley Ingram accepting her award at the Women’s History Luncheon in March.
April Improv

Tuesday, April 15 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor

Exercise your funny bone and learn to be the life of the party as we play theater games that’ll leave you laughing. This event is free and for grades 6-12. Please call 553-0207 for more information.

Out of Control: Another Improv Night for Teens

Wednesday, April 16 at 7 p.m.
White Public Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

Leave your bashfulness at home and come have fun with us as we put you in funny situations. Door prizes and refreshments are provided, and all those in grades 6-12 are invited to this free event. Please call 562-5660 for more information.

Create a colorful bookmark!

It’s that time of year again to enter the annual Up With Reading Bookmark Contest. One winner will be selected from each of the following grades: Kindergarten, First grade, Second grade, Third grade, Fourth grade, Fifth grade, Sixth grade, Seventh grade, Eighth grade, and High School.

Entry forms are available at all library locations. Deadline for entries is Friday, May 16, 2008. Winning entries will be recognized at a special ceremony in September.

Contest Rules:
1. Bookmarks must measure 1 7/8 inches by 5 3/4 inches. Include the following with each entry: Your Name, Age, Home Phone Number, Grade, Teacher’s Name, and School’s name.
2. Only one entry per person may be accepted.
3. Participants must be Pueblo County residents.
4. Bring entries to any Library location, mail to Casey Mahon at Pueblo School District No. 60, Velma Dilka at Pueblo School District No. 70, or the Community Relations Department at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004 or e-mail entries to contests@pueblolibrary.org.

Please call 562-5606 for more information.

National Kite Month

Tuesday, April 8 at 3:30 p.m.
Barkman Public Library
1300 Jerry Murphy Rd.

Can you name the five people that flew kites and changed history? Come join us as we make kites and change history. This event is free and open to teens. Please call 562-5680 for more information.

Anime Club

Wednesday, April 23 at 7 p.m.
White Public Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.,
Pueblo West

Anime fanatics in grades 6 and up are invited to participate in the White Library’s Anime Club. This club previews the newest programs, writes movie reviews, participates in anime art programs, and helps select the finest anime for the Library. Bring your own manga for show and tell. No registration is required. Call 562-5660 for more information on this free event.
Computer Classes

Microsoft Word II Class
Tuesday, April 8 at 8 a.m.
White Public Library
298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.
Pueblo West

This class is for those who have experience using Microsoft Word and would like to learn how to make tables, columns, bulleted lists, and how to add borders, graphics and other features. This class is free and open to the public, but space is limited. Please call 562-5660 to register.

Really Basic Computer Class
Friday, April 11 at 9:30 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Training room - 3rd floor

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

Beginning Internet
Friday, April 18 at 9:30 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Training room - 3rd floor

This class is designed for people with little or no experience in using the Internet. You will learn to navigate the World Wide Web using Internet Explorer and basic search engines. *Need basic keyboard and mouse skills.

Introduction to Microsoft Word
Friday, April 25 at 9:30 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Training room - 3rd floor

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

All Aboard! @ your Library

Tuesday, April 22 at 9:30 a.m. &
Wednesday, April 23 at 11 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Training room - 3rd floor

Are you planning a vacation? Or perhaps you’re more of an armchair traveler dreaming of new destinations.

Whatever your travel plans, there is a fun, free way to make your next trip more enjoyable. Let us show you how you can travel the world using the library’s online resources.

We’ll discover the world with cultural snapshots of countries from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe. We’ll find maps, recipes, and photo galleries with hundreds of images, listen to national anthems, and then see how far our money will go with a currency converter.

In the United States, we’ll find interesting state facts, flags, mottos and maps. We’ll listen to the state bird sing, learn about the climate, and find contact information for the state tourism department.

Seating is limited. Make your reservation by calling Kay at 553-0213.

A Rose is a Rose

Saturday, April 26 at 1:30 p.m.
Lamb Public Library
2525 S. Pueblo Blvd.

Linda Mculkin, horticulturist coordinator will give a presentation called “Everything You Need to Know on How to Grow Roses in this Area.” Call 562-5670 for more information and for reservations by April 23. Refreshments will be served. A beautiful rose bush will be given away after the presentation.
Know Your Numbers: Diabetes & You
Thursday, April 17 at 2 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
InfoZone Theatre - 4th floor
This workshop will feature everything you wanted to know but were afraid to ask about diabetes. A panel discussion involving the Parkview Diabetes Center and Assistive Technology Board Members will follow the presentation.

How to Communicate Effectively with People Who Have Hearing Loss
Saturday, April 19 at 11 a.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor
Do you know someone with hearing loss and find it hard to communicate? Learn a few tricks and check out new gadgets that will make communicating easy and fun for everyone. This program is presented by Sharon Campbell, disability safety and hearing loss expert.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt: Father of the Independent Living Movement?
Saturday, April 19 at 1 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor
This is your chance to talk face to face with the thirty-second president of the United States, who had polio and lived without the use of his legs for several years. Richard Marold, nationally known humanities scholar and Chautauqua performer, will recreate the persona of Franklin Delano Roosevelt. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Sign-language interpreters are available for all events.

Pigments of the Imagination:
Rock Paintings in Canyon de Chelly, Arizona

Presented by Lawrence Loendorf, Ph.D. in partnership with the Pueblo Archaeological and Historical Society
Thursday, May 1 at 7 p.m.
Rawlings Public Library
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Ryals Room - 4th floor
Lawrence Loendorf is an archaeologist at New Mexico State University. He has worked across the desert west for the past 40 years with more than two decades of emphasis on rock art research. He has also worked extensively with American Indian traditional properties in Yellowstone National Park. Recent books include Thunder and Herds: Rock Art of the High Plains, Left Coast Press 2008, and Mountain Spirit: The Sheep Eater Indians of Yellowstone, University of Utah Press, 2006.

Canyon de Chelly, one of North America’s most spectacular canyon settings, contains hundreds of archaeological sites. The most impressive of these sites are ancestral Pueblo villages with the multi-story houses that are built into caves and rockshelters along the canyon walls. The remains of more recent Navajo villages, less obvious to casual visitors, are also found in the canyon. Thousands of colorful rock paintings, the subject of my presentation, are found on the canyon walls near the villages.

Magnificent Navajo paintings include murals with life-size horses that are marching across the canyon walls. Several of the more prominent examples were painted by Little Sheep, a Navajo whose descendants still live in the canyon. Although they are considerably older the Pueblo, paintings by the Basketmaker peoples still remain as vivid reminders of their ancient lifeway. A number of these colorful paintings are associated with storage structures. These include six to eight foot tall human figures that are painted in three and four colors. These figures are often surrounded by hundreds of multi-colored human handprints. In my research, I was able to radiocarbon date these paintings to more than 1600 years ago. The most fascinating of these paintings appear to be guarding granaries where corn and beans were stored by the Basketmaker peoples.
May 2nd and 3rd - - - The next Super Side Door Sale!

Our customers love these deals! Hardback books are priced at only one dollar, paperbacks are fifty cents - OR - fill a bag for only $6.00!!

Regular store hours will be observed from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and you may shop in the store at regular discount prices if you don’t find what you need at the Side Door Sale.

Come early or stay late - our selections are great as usual!

Magazine Exchange

After conferring with the Friends of the Library Board, it has been decided to terminate the Magazine Exchange program. The main reasons for this decision are: lack of adequate participation on the part of the schools and no volunteers found to continue on with the program. The Magazine Exchange will no longer take donations of magazines from the public after March 7 and the magazines will all be distributed to the schools in the program by March 15.

The Magazine Exchange wishes to extend thanks to The Friends of the Library Board for overseeing this program, the many magazine donors and those who helped in many ways: especially Jim Stuart, Melanie Tappen, Barbara Tuttoilmondo and Sandra Cunningham. For comments or questions, you may contact Rose Marie Knight at 547-3214.

Librarian Susan Peterson captivates the audience gathered at Lamb Library in March for Dr. Seuss festivities.

A proud patron of the Barkman Public Library shows off her book selection at the Barkman Library’s Dr. Seuss event in March.
**Friends of the Library president’s corner**  
*by Jim Stuart*

Why am I so deeply involved with the Friends of the Library? I have had a few folks ask me this question and if I had the time and presence of mind to give my very best answer to that question here is what it would be……..

First, because I enjoy being a part of a group who really gets things done. And, the things we get done truly benefit the entire community through our Book Store and the Library District. Second, because our Board, and core volunteers, make money and provide services through the free use of our time. What more precious thing can you give than the gift of your time, talents, energy and ideas? Third, because we help children become better people through encouragement of reading and writing. After reading several hundred writing contest entries by fourth graders you realize how these contests, we co-sponsor with the Library, really stretch the writing and imagination skills of the thousands of students of all grades who participate. Plus, when you see the joy and excitement of the winners receiving their awards it is a heart warming experience. I did a little calculation the other day and discovered that our book store has generated just shy of $100,000 to benefit the Library District through projects the Friends fund and rental we pay the District. Not bad for just 2 ½ years. But, its never just about the money, which is easy to measure, it is the impact and benefit these dollars have to the betterment of our community.

There you have it, my best answer to why I spend so much of my time being a part of the Friends of the City-County Library District. And, as a matter of fact we have a couple of spots open on our Board and would love to fill them with some folks who would like to make a difference and help us make our library the best it can be. If you are interested give me a call at 544-2435 and I will see you get an application.

**Wednesday’s Child**  
*by Edna Shoaf*

Have you been to Books Again lately? Do you ever just walk in the door, look around at all the posters on the wall, the arrangement of the books on the shelves, the plants that thrive in the sunlight, and the other decorations that make this such a very attractive place to visit? Try it the next time, and then thank our Wednesday manager, Terrye Jean Oliva for the lovely ambiance.

I know it is a loooong way from a farm in Osage, Iowa to Pueblo, Colorado, but we have the steel mills to thank for first bringing Terrye’s family here when she was three years of age. But between then and now, this talented and adventurous lady has lived in many places and accomplished many exciting projects. She laughed and explained that she was very independent, so she guessed she was just a “Bohemian, an adventurous soul, feeling free and immortal.”

I had such fun visiting with Terrye and watching her face light up as she talked about her life. She still has a bit of a drawl from her high school days in Abilene, Texas. Her accent was also more pronounced when she talked about living in Bermuda. It was there in Bermuda that she lived with an 84 year-old lady who had two sons in the British Parliament. She was only 21, the same age as the woman's grandchildren. Her husband lived in the Marine barracks, so she had to stay off-base.

Terrye explained how the relaxed life in Bermuda was so different from the States. The speed limit was fifteen miles an hour, the family had only one car, and laundry was done in the bath tub. She said it was total culture shock when she flew into Dallas on her way home.

This busy lady is no longer married, but she has one daughter in Parker and another in Pueblo West. Ferdinand the cat, which she brought from Phoenix in a carrier as a favor to her daughter, thinks he is the King of her house. She was a Psych Tech with a degree from USC, and she worked in the field for 30 years, retiring last March.

Terrye declared that she “couldn’t live without creativity.” She showed me her beautiful journal that she keeps, not only writing in it but including pictures and bits of information that she thinks is interesting. She can tell how she changes and grows as she reads back over her journal entries. She said art is important in her family, as her mother paints and her brother is an artist. She also cooks, sews, makes quilts and book marks, and entertains herself with many hobbies.

Terrye first came to Books Again just to browse. She saw Lois Pfost who asked her if she would like to volunteer, so she started working, and then Melanie asked her if she would be Wednesday’s day manager. She also volunteered to be in charge of the store’s displays, which she does beautifully. She says it is “neat to meet a lot of different kinds of people who come in to shop, and I learns lots from the customers and from networking with the other volunteers.” We are fortunate, indeed, to have this ball of fire for our Wednesday’s Child! Bravo, Bohemian lady!
Friends of the Library
Membership Form

Name or Organization ____________________________
Address _______________________________________
City/State/Zip _________________________________
Phone Number _________________________________

Make check payable to:
Friends of the Library,
622 S. Union Ave.
Pueblo, CO 81004

Friends of the Library receive a
10% discount on purchases at
Books Again used Bookstore,
622 S. Union Ave.

Memberships:
□ $15 Individual □ $20 Family
□ $30 Gold Card □ $30 Business
□ $100 Benefactor □ $500 Patron

Everyone loves a good Dr. Seuss birthday party! Young patrons enjoyed cake and crafts at a Dr. Seuss event held at the Rawlings Public Library in March.