



NEWS & PROGRAMS

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DID YOU KNOW?

Feeling "lost" while the Local History Room is closed? Maybe you need a map!

Introducing the database: Digital Sanborn Maps 1867-1970

The Sanborn Maps collection features large scale images of old fire insurance maps that were used to estimate the potential risk for urban structures. There are more than 660,000 maps covering over 12,000 American towns and cities. They include information such as historical street names, house numbers, building size, building use and construction details.

This database is useful for:

- people looking for the history of their properties, property lines, when structures were built, and general history of the local area
- business owners who are required by the city to bring properties up to code
- historical researchers

How do you get to these maps? Just go to our 'eResources' webpage, click on the drop-down box and scroll until you reach Sanborn Maps. With your Poudre River Library card these maps can be accessed from home.

CONNECTIONS

by Holly Carroll, Executive Director

ARTIST MARK LEICHLITER CHOSEN FOR ART PIECE

Poudre River Public Library District has announced that local artist Mark Leichliter has been chosen through the Art in Public Places Program to do a piece of work for the remodel of Main Library in Old Town Fort Collins. The Main Library remodel project is estimated to cost \$4.2 million, and one percent of that cost will be designated for artwork for the library remodel.

Mark Leichliter was born in Loveland, CO to a family of builders who design custom homes. Growing up around construction tools gave him an understanding of building and the value of craftsmanship. This exposure eventually led to a love for art in high school and has continued ever since. Leichliter is now residing near Fort Collins, CO and has been a professional sculptor since 1994.

A committee consisting of library staff, Trustees, and volunteers will work with Leichliter on the art project to be completed by the grand re-opening of Main Library this summer.



Library Volunteer Wins Publishing Award

Brielle Kelley is an ambitious high school junior. She has volunteered her time to do storytelling and puppet shows for "Rincon de Cuentos" a cooperative effort between the Poudre River Public Library District and Colorado State University. During this bilingual storytime, Brielle shared her love of books and storytelling with the participants. So it was a natural progression that Poudre High School student Brielle Kelley decided to learn about the publishing industry for a school project by writing a bilingual book. Library District staff member Ludy Rueda and CSU partner Dr. Velazquez, were instrumental in editing the Spanish version of the book. Kelley's book, *The Little Skunk who was Afraid to Stink*, was just recently published by Growing Fields Books, a company that publishes motivational books for children. In addition, Kelley's book was selected for one of the national Moonbeam Children's Book Awards in the Spanish language category. Moonbeam awards are given to exemplary positive books for children. Congratulations Brielle!

KIDS



Warrior Cats Gathering

Are you a fan of the Warriors series by Erin Hunter? Join your fellow paws to become a full-fledged warrior and join one of the warrior clans. Your knowledge of the ancestors, hunting skills, and battle prowess will all be tested in a friendly all-clan contest. Registration is required. Call 221-6740 or visit any library location. Recommended for ages 8 and older.

January 3, 2:00 PM, Harmony Library
January 5, 2:00 PM, Council Tree Library

January 4 - School's Out Movie Day!

School's out today so join us for free popcorn and a movie.

10:30 AM, Harmony - "Cars 2" (G)113 minutes.

2:00 PM, Council Tree - "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" (PG). 140 minutes.

January 10, 9:45 AM, NEW Monthly Family Storytime in Timnath (see Storytime Schedule)

TEENS

GET INVOLVED IN 2012!



Interesting Reader Society Meeting

Poudre River Public Library District is looking for teens to join the IRS! No, it doesn't mean working with taxes, it means working with books, and lots more. The Interesting Reader Society is a special group of young adults in grades 6-12 who meet monthly to talk mainly about books, and also about movies, music, and other topics of interest to teens. They plan exciting teen library programs and activities, serve as members of a decision-making team, promote the library at school and to the rest of the community, and provide teen feedback for the library staff. Teens interested in becoming a member of the IRS will find an application form at <http://www.poudrelibraries.org/> (click on the link to the Teen Lounge) or in the Teen section the libraries.

First Meeting of the Year! January 7, 11:00 AM, Council Tree Library



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ADULTS

WHAT'S YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?

CONTROL YOUR FINANCES?



Keep Your New Year's Financial Resolution

Discover ways to keep on track and avoid financial set-backs.

January 9, 7:00 PM, Council Tree Library
January 11, Noon, Coloradoan Office, 1300 Riverside

Personal Finance – Money Matters
Over the course of the next year, a series of classes will be offered on the second Monday and Wednesday of each month designed to give you helpful information on how to save your money. These classes are free and require no registration. Sponsored by the Library District in partnership with Financial Literacy Larimer County and CSU Extension.

WORK ON YOUR WRITING?

Jumpstart Your Rewrite

Rewriting is not always an intuitive process, and this class offers an extensive list of sound craft questions that jumpstart your rewriting process. We'll address all the essential storytelling elements, from learning how to pinpoint your plot's key event to evaluating whether your characters encounter substantially tough obstacles. Everything from plot, voice, tone, setting, and pace gets spotlighted in Jumpstart Your Rewrite, which helps each writer create an action plan for their revision. Class is limited to 40. To register please call 970-221-6740.

January 19, 5:30 PM, Council Tree Library

READ MORE?

I Got an eReader! Now What?

Bring your new tech toy, your enthusiasm and your sense of humor to the library. We will go through the basics of checking out and downloading library eBooks to Kindles, Nooks, iPads and other tablets for your reading pleasure.

January 12, 7:00 PM, Council Tree Library
January 21, 3:00 PM, Harmony Library

START A NEW HOBBY?



Photography Workshop

Did you just receive a new camera for Christmas? Do you want to learn more about how to use your camera? We start with the basics - defining camera terms and covering some of the mechanical features. We will cover camera settings such as ISO, white balance, color space, image quality, etc. Additionally, we will cover exposure, working with tonal values, manually metering and more. Even though the emphasis will be on SLRs, those with a simple point and shoot camera will learn how to take better pictures. Bring your camera and manual with fresh batteries and space on your memory card. Class is FREE.

January 26, 7:00 PM, Council Tree Library
January 28, 10:00 AM, Harmony Library

RENEW YOUR MIND.

www.poudrelibraries.org



November's National Novel Writing Month was very successful!

The national NaNoWriMo organization had over 250,000 participants this year with a total collective

word count of 3,074,772,767. The Poudre River Public Library District and the Fort Collins chapter NaNoWriMo group had 1,200 sign-ups, with 782 active writers. Over 100 people attended the launch party, ranging from ages 6 (kindergarten) to 90. The participants wrote over 12.5 million words averaging 26,286 per writer. There were 102 adults that hit the 50,000 word count goal and another 12 from the young writer's program who made the count. For more information go to www.nanowrimo.org and get ready for next year!

This Year - Join a Book Club!



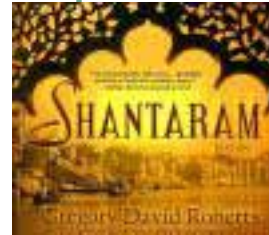
Library Book Clubs:

Join our book clubs!
Main Library
(currently meeting at Old Firehouse Books)

January 23, 7:00 PM

January 25, Noon

Three Junes by
Julia Glass



Council Tree Library

January 16, 7:00 PM

Shantaram by
Gregory David Roberts

The public is invited to attend!
Adults may join at anytime. Call
221-6740 for more information.



Please pardon our dust after the January reopening- The phased construction will continue after Main Library reopens in January.

LAST CALL!

FREE MUSIC YOU CAN KEEP

The Library District launched the music website, Freegal Music, as a trial project through the end of January 2012. Freegal Music provides access to hundreds of thousands of songs which are downloadable to an mp3 or iPod. To access the website, you will need to enter your library card number and then you will be allowed to download up to 3 songs per week. The music is yours to keep! Every song has a sample clip so you can listen to it before deciding if you want to use one of your downloads. It is all free with your library card!



Library District Has Board of Trustee Opening

The process to select a Library District Board of Trustee to replace one or more outgoing members is underway. The District is governed by a 7-member volunteer Board of Trustees. City and County officials are seeking applications from individuals who wish to serve on the Board. The Board of Trustees provides policy oversight and supervision of the libraries within the district, including the budget. New Trustees will be seated for the March 2012 board meeting. Trustees must be residents within the legal service boundaries of the Library District.

Watch the Library District website for details and links to the application which is available on the Larimer County website. For more information on the the role of the Poudre River Public Library Board of Trustees go to <http://www.PoudreLibraries.org/board>.

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