



### THE GIFT OF LIBRARY SERVICE

This month, during the season of giving thanks, Pikes Peak Library District is especially thankful for the many volunteers and donors who have helped our libraries stretch our dollars and time to better serve the public.

Did you know that volunteers donated nearly 50,000 hours to your libraries last year, at a value of almost \$970,000? LitSource volunteer tutors gave 11,000 hours in 2008 to help adults in the community learn to read and write. Dozens of companies and community organizations in El Paso County give donations to our libraries to help build new buildings, like the High Prairie Branch Library, and provide other important resources, like new computers, furniture, or speakers at special events.

This month, and in the coming year, consider ways you can contribute to your Library and to your community. There are many ways of giving at the Library – from becoming an advocate and Friend of the Library, to volunteering in a Library, or donating your time or money to a special project at PPLD.

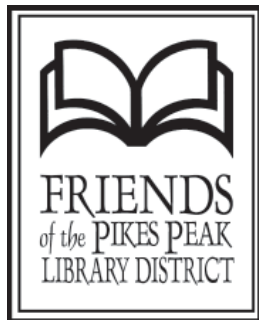
**Give a donation.** Pikes Peak Library District Foundation exists to provide for the Library's



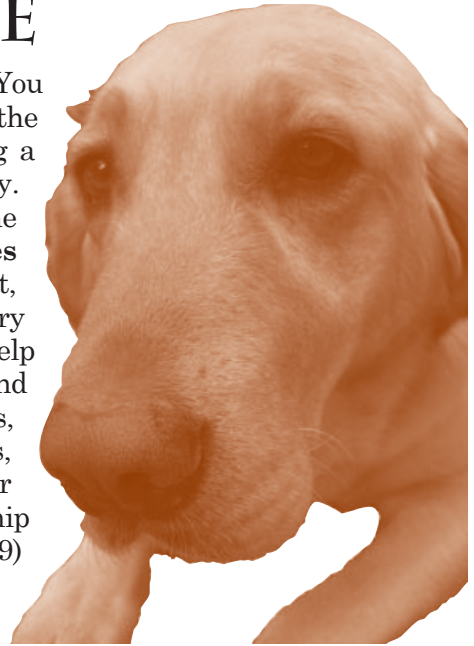
current and long-term needs by raising funds from individuals,

businesses, charitable foundations and government agencies. You can learn more about how to make a donation by calling (719) 531-6333, x2205 or visiting [ppld.org](http://ppld.org).

**Give books.** The Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District accepts books and magazines in good condition for resale. Materials that do not fit our needs are recycled in appropriate ways. Donations are accepted at East Library, Penrose Library, and all branch libraries during scheduled Library hours. Private and commercial donations are welcome. For more information call (719) 531-6333, x1008.



**Give your time.** You can also support the Library by becoming a Friend of the Library. Friends help with the annual **All Pikes Peak Reads** event, promote the Library in the community, help the Library fund various projects, recruit volunteers, and much more. For Friends membership information, call (719) 531-6333, x1008.



You can also *A dedicated Paws to Read volunteer* **volunteer** at the Library to help shelve, sort, and process books, and other Library tasks. Many volunteer positions are available for teens, adults, and seniors year-round. Call (719) 531-6333, x1251 to find out more.

Become a **tutor** or **facilitator** with PPLD's LitSource program. You'll help adults with reading, writing, and English-speaking skills. Free training is provided. Call (719) 531-6333, x2223.

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# OPEN BOOK Paula J. Miller, Executive Director, PPLD

November is the 'harvest' month, a time to celebrate the bounty of the season.

It's important to remember, however, that 'bounty' is not equal for all of our residents, particularly in this difficult economy. Many of the individuals and families who use our libraries cannot afford to buy books or rent movies, do not subscribe to magazines or newspapers, and do not have a computer in their homes... nor could they afford the monthly access fees, even if they had one.

Through our print and audiovisual materials, our public libraries ensure equal access to information and cultural experiences – and borrowing is up 18 percent since November 2007. Through our technology resources, our public libraries breach the digital divide, increasing opportunities for success for all of our residents. And, through our free storytimes and programs for people of all ages, we offer families in our region a bountiful quality of life. It is in these difficult times that libraries are

used most, and we are proud to provide free resources, opportunities, and hope to our residents.

November is also a month in which we reflect upon the value of gratitude. Pikes Peak Library District is grateful to our donors, whose philanthropy allows us to have an even greater impact on our readers, our residents, and our community. An excellent example is Peggy Shivers: Each year, Shivers' concerts bring talented performers and beautiful music to our region. The profits from these programs then go into the Shivers Fund, which is used to purchase items for our Shivers African-American collection. We are also grateful for the support we receive from the Friends of the Library, who run the booksales to provide funds for library projects and from the Pikes Peak Library District Foundation, through which we have received several successful grants. In difficult budget times, this is even more critical.

And, we are grateful for your patronage. May your reading be bountiful this month.

## PIKES PEAK LIBRARY DISTRICT PRESENTS ROCKY MOUNTAIN WOMEN'S FILM FESTIVAL

*Programs will include audience discussion and Q&A with the filmmakers. Light refreshments will be served. No RSVP required. For questions, please call 531-6333, x1205.*

### BOY INTERRUPTED

This is a film that raises questions. It asks how a young boy can end his life at the tender age of 15. It struggles to find answers about what kind of family he had and the life he led. By its very nature, it is a naked display of its filmmaker's personal life at its most revealing and perhaps disturbing. How can a mother, we may ask, make a film about the death of her son?

Dana Perry has gathered home movies, photographs, and a variety of different documents to tell the story of her son, Evan: his bipolar illness, his life, and his death, and their impact on those who loved him the most. She interviews his siblings and friends, his doctors and his teachers, and in the process, she chronicles a harrowing and difficult journey.

Filmmaker Dana Perry will be in attendance.

**Thu., Nov. 5 ♦ 7 - 9 p.m.**  
**Penrose Library, Carnegie Reading Room**  
**20 N. Cascade Ave.**

### MOSQUE IN MORGANTOWN

With its red-and-gold fall colors and ducks swimming in the river, Morgantown seems an unlikely battleground for the soul of Islam in America. But that's what happens when journalist Asra Nomani walks up to the door of a nondescript mosque in the West Virginia university town. Her demand that women be allowed to pray with the men, instead of being relegated to the backroom, ignites a national controversy.

*Mosque in Morgantown* goes behind the sensational rebel in the mosque headlines to present a nuanced, complex portrait of the real tensions in a community that since 9/11 finds itself under a harsh spotlight.

Filmmaker Brittany Huckabee will be in attendance.

**Fri., Nov. 6 ♦ 1 - 3 p.m.**  
**East Library, Community Meeting Room**  
**5550 N. Union Blvd.**

# OFF THE WALL

## ARTIST OF THE MONTH LISA ANN BONFIGLIO

Artist Lisa Ann Bonfiglio was born in Neenah, Wisconsin, into a family of nine children. Her divinely inspired artwork comes in several mediums including paintings, writings, and prayer meditation beads. Her work can be viewed at [www.dynamicarthouse.com](http://www.dynamicarthouse.com).



Lisa Ann Bonfiglio

Her writings include *Illumination Divine Inspiration: From My Heart to Your Heart*.

Her art will be on exhibit in November at Penrose Library and in December at Fountain Branch.



## ART EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS

### @YOUR LIBRARIES IN NOVEMBER:

**Cheyenne Mountain Branch**  
Watercolors by Kathleen Murray

**East Library**  
Watercolors by Susan Crowther

**Fountain Branch**  
*Images of Ranching Youth from Fountain, Colorado*  
from the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art and Special Collections

**Monument Branch**  
Watercolors by Sharon Fong

**Old Colorado City Branch**  
Quilts and other knitting projects by Stitch Wits

**Penrose Library**  
Acrylic artwork by Lisa Ann Bonfiglio

**Rockrimmon Branch**  
Paintings and drawings by Amanda Quiroz

**Ruth Holley Branch**  
Oil paintings and colored pencil artwork by Meisje Harmon

**Sand Creek Branch**  
*Drawn West – 19th Century Maps* by Special Collections



## OPEN DOOR EXHIBIT

Visitors to Fountain Branch, East, and Penrose libraries this month will likely see an “Open Door” exhibit outside each library. The exhibit

is part of a county-wide campaign of the Stop Family Violence Coalition.

The organization’s mission is to raise community awareness about family violence; how it can be prevented and abolished and the community services available for victims and abusers. They partner with a number of member organizations to accomplish this mission: El Paso County Department of Health and Environment, Safe Passage, CASA of the Pikes Peak Region, TESSA, Center on Fathering, Memorial Health System, Army Community Service (ACS) — Fort Carson Family Advocacy, and El Paso County Department of Human Services

The Open Doors Campaign seeks to bring awareness to the issue of family violence. According to the Coalition, both literally and metaphorically, El Paso County’s family violence problem exists largely behind closed doors. Behind these doors, we have more reported cases of domestic violence than any other county in the state of Colorado. This campaign uses the iconography of the door to bring El Paso County’s disturbing family violence problem into the open. People will confront real, life-size doors in different places all over town, including libraries throughout the District, designed by various organizations and artists within the city.



For more information,  
[visit openourdoors.org](http://openourdoors.org)

# SHIVERS FUND PRESENTS THE CELEBRATION IX

The Shivers Fund at Pikes Peak Library District continues its tradition of giving this November during a four-day event with inspirational song and art.

The Shivers Celebration, established 16 years ago to raise cultural and arts awareness in Colorado Springs, includes classical and jazz concerts and other activities from November 26 through November 29. The first day kicks off with a Thanksgiving Day Gala, which includes dinner, dancing, music, and art show.

The Celebration is a special fundraising event held every other year in Colorado Springs to support the Shivers Fund at Pikes Peak Library District. Peggy and the late Clarence Shivers established the Fund in 1993 to expand PPLD's African American collection and promote the arts through concerts and educational opportunities for youth. Philanthropist Clarence Shivers was a talented painter and sculptor, known for his bronze statue of a Tuskegee Airman located on the grounds of the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.

This year's event will feature critically acclaimed artist Denise Young Smith. There will also be a fine arts show, silent auction, free music workshop for youth, and authors' tea. The Celebration will conclude with Sunday morning worship and brunch. The 2009 event marks the ninth Celebration event.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

**Thu., Nov. 26**

**Dinner and Gala**  
2 p.m. ♦ \$60  
Concert by  
Denise Young Smith



**Fri., Nov. 27**

**Trip to Cripple Creek**  
9 a.m. ♦ \$35  
Bus departs Antlers Hilton  
9 a.m., returns at 5 p.m.

**Classical Concert**  
8 p.m. ♦ \$40  
♦ Judy Shay Burns  
♦ Marlissa Hudson  
♦ Leon Burke  
♦ Susan Grace



Judy Shay Burns



Marlissa Hudson

**Sat., Nov. 28**

**Authors' Tea**  
noon ♦ Free  
Ed Perkins and  
Latoya Lucas  
Antlers Hilton

**Youth Workshop**  
2 p.m. ♦ Free  
Penrose Library  
20 N. Cascade Ave.

**Jazz Concert**  
6 p.m. ♦ \$70  
Karen Shivers, Michael  
Howell, Dawn Norfleet,  
Brad Bietry Quartet



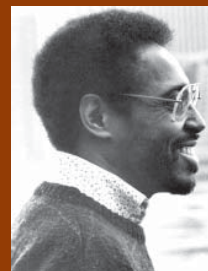
Leon Burke



Susan Grace



Karen Shivers



Michael Howell

**Sun., Nov. 29**

**Church Service**  
9 a.m.  
Guest speaker,  
Rev. A.R. Cash.  
(Church service  
open to the public.)

**Brunch**  
11 a.m. ♦ \$35



Dawn Norfleet



Brad Bietry

**Entire package \$190**

**RSVP by November 23, 2009.**  
For ticket information, call  
(719) 593-8400 or visit  
[www.shivers.com](http://www.shivers.com)

**All concerts, church service,  
and brunch will be held at  
Antlers Hilton,  
4 S. Cascade Ave.**

# A CLOSER LOOK: EL POMAR NONPROFIT RESOURCE CENTER

Approximately 80,000 foundations give out more than \$25 billion in grants every year to nonprofit organizations. The El Pomar Nonprofit Resource Center contains all the tools you need to identify these foundations – as well as many other grant makers such as corporations, government agencies, associations, and individuals.

The El Pomar Nonprofit Resource center is designed to serve the needs of a broad range of nonprofit organizations: from the grassroots, neighborhood-focused organizations to the large nonprofits; from the volunteer grant seeker to the experienced fundraiser.



*El Pomar Nonprofit Resource Center*

## SERVICES

Reference assistance is available.  
Call 531-6333, x2335 or email [arodda@ppld.org](mailto:arodda@ppld.org).

Call to schedule a free orientation session to the collection and learn to search the **Colorado Grants Guide** and the **Foundation Directory online**.

Additional copies of some of the reference materials are available for check out.

Free workshops are scheduled throughout the year. Log on to [ppld.org](http://ppld.org) and click on **El Pomar Nonprofit Resource Center** for the workshop schedule.

Many of the tools are electronic, making research easier than ever. Be sure to check out the available databases listed on the El Pomar Nonprofit Resource Center web page. Access to these resources is available at [ppld.org](http://ppld.org).

The El Pomar Nonprofit Resource Center (EPNRC) is a cooperating collection of the Foundation Center. The EPNRC is funded by Pikes Peak Library District and a grant from the El Pomar Foundation.

## DID YOU KNOW?/TECH TIPS

### FOUNDATION DIRECTORY ONLINE

The **Foundation Directory Online** is an extremely valuable resource for any nonprofit organization looking for potential funders. It provides current, comprehensive, accurate information on U.S. grantmakers and their grants. The Foundation Directory allows one to search grantmakers by county, metro area, zip code, city and state, and congressional district. You can also search by field of interest or type of grant.

#### FEATURES INCLUDE:

- Profiles of more than 98,000 foundations, corporate donors, and grantmaking public charities
- More than 1.7 million recent grants
- More than 495,000 trustee, officer, and donor names — fully indexed
- More than half a million IRS 990s — fully keyword-searchable
- 53 search fields including keyword search
- Interactive U.S. and world maps showing the distribution of grants for leading funders.

This database is available on any public computer located at the Penrose Library as well as at the El Pomar Nonprofit Resource Center (also at the Penrose Library).

# NOVEMBER EVENTS SPOTLIGHT

## KKTV WINTER WEATHER

Come join a member of the KKTV 11 News Weather Team for a winter weather presentation. This 11 News Weather Class is for homeschoolers in grades 1 - 5 and their families. Register online or call 531-6333, x1403.

**Tue., Nov. 3 ♦ 10 - 11 a.m.**  
East Library

## COLLEGE 101

A free workshop for students in grades 10 - 12 and their parents. Take a self-assessment to see how your interests can fit your career goals. Presenter Amy de Lourenco, a private college and career consultant, will give tips and timelines on college and career planning.

**Thu., Nov. 5 ♦ 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**  
East Library

## MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE: WRITING YOUR LIFE STORY

Everyone has a story to tell. Yet, only six percent of Americans have written down their life stories. We largely neglect to capture what our family members want most – memories, stories, and the wisdom we've collected over the years. This writing workshop will help participants get started on this journey. Come ready to write, as we will complete several writing exercises, and you will leave with a foundation in place. Call 389-8968 to register or 531-6333, x1307 for more information.

**Sat., Nov. 7 ♦ 10 a.m. - noon**  
East Library

## BRIDGES TO THE COMMUNITY

Learn how life planning tools and transition strategies can help young adults with disabilities make the transition from school to adult life at this free presentation.

**Tue., Nov. 17 ♦ 4:45 - 6:15 p.m.**  
East Library

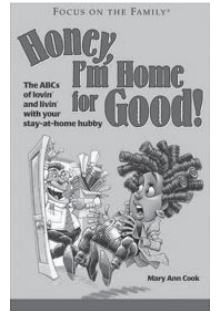
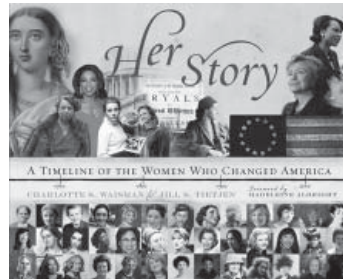
## AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN AUTHOR'S DAY PROGRAM



Enjoy a brunch and presentations by authors **Mary Ann Cook** (*Honey, I'm Home for Good*), **Jean Messinger** (*Same War, Different Battlefields*), **Jill S. Tietjen** (*Her Story: A Timeline of the Women Who Changed America*), and **M.J. Brett** (*Mutti's War, Shadows on an Iron Curtain*, and more). A book signing event will be held following the presentations. Tickets are \$20;

send a check to AAUW by Nov. 18 to Jeanne Marsh, 850 Timber Valley Road, Colorado Springs, CO, 80919.

**Sat., Nov. 21 ♦ 10 a.m.**  
Air Force Academy,  
Falcon Club



## HIGH PRAIRIE GROUND BREAKING

Join us for the ground breaking ceremony for the High Prairie Branch Library! Come learn about the new library, and find out how you can make a donation to the facility. It is the first PPLD library to be built east of Powers Boulevard. The anticipated completion date of the branch is spring 2010. It will be about 6,000 square feet, and will hold a collection of about 14,000 items. We will be collecting non-perishable food items for Care and Share at the event.

**Thu., Nov. 12 ♦ 11:30 a.m. ♦ 7035 Old Meridian Road**

## SENIOR BOOK GROUPS

### COLORADO SPRINGS SENIOR CENTER BOOK CLUB

*Out Stealing Horses* by Per Petterson

For information call 531-6333, x1314.

**Thu., Nov. 12 ♦ 1:30 - 3 p.m.**

Colorado Springs Senior Center, 1514 N. Hancock Ave.

### WESTSIDE LIVELY EXCHANGE BOOK GROUP

*The Known World* by Edward P. Jones

For information call 531-6333, x2318.

**Thu., Nov. 12 ♦ 12:30 - 2 p.m.**

West Center for Intergenerational Learning,  
1628 W. Bijou Street.

### CASA DE CERRO BOOK CLUB

*The Purrfect Murder*

by Rita Mae Brown and Sneaky Pie Brown

For information call 531-6333, x2309.

**Thu., Nov. 19 ♦ 1 - 2:30 p.m.**

Casa de Cerro Apartments, 915 N. Yuma Street.

# KUDOS!



From left to right: Pam Maier, Timm and Marcia Myers, Jeremiah Walter, Ellen May, Paula Poundstone, Beth Fox-Kret, Paula Miller, and Pam Gomez-Gil.

## PAULA POUNDSTONE

Prior to her comedy show at Pikes Peak Center on October 8, Paula Poundstone was given an honorary membership to the Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District by Friends Board President Ellen May. Half of the proceeds from sales of Poundstone's books and CDs that evening went to the Friends of PPLD. Poundstone is National Spokesperson for Friends of Libraries USA.



## LIBRARIES AWARDED GRANTS FOR KEY PROJECTS



The Colorado State Library in September announced grants to 10 school, public, and academic libraries for innovative projects designed to improve library services and life-long learning.

**Pikes Peak Library District was awarded \$15,000 for a project called Play and Learn – Colorado.** Every elementary student in Colorado studies state history to meet the Colorado model content standards, including more than 8,000 fourth-graders in El Paso County. The Pikes Peak Library District will provide students with historical information to assist

in their studies by developing an interactive, Web-based Colorado history game for fourth-grade students.

The proposals are funded through the federal Library Service and Technology Act (LSTA) allocation to the Colorado Department of Education and Colorado State Library.

This year's grants total nearly \$400,000. All grants addressed a goal in the long-range plan that Colorado's residents will be able to access resources and services electronically through libraries to meet their information and learning needs.

## ANSWERS @ YOUR LIBRARY

**Q: I am getting out of the military and I want to start a business. Where do I start?**

**A:** The Library offers a free class called **Minding Your Business** that will help you find information on looking for a job or starting or growing a business. The classes are generally offered twice a month. In November they will be offered November 7 and 18 from 8:30 - 10 a.m. at Penrose Library, 20 N. Cascade Ave. This free class is a great start to finding the information you need to start a business.

**Q: Is there a way I can create a free mailing list for my company?**

**A:** You can use ReferenceUSA, an online business database to find companies or individuals that meet your criteria and then create a mailing list from the contact information you download. You can access this database free from [ppld.org](http://ppld.org). First click on **Electronic Reference**, then **Business**, then **ReferenceUSA**.

**Do you have questions about your library?**

**Email your questions to [improve@ppld.org](mailto:improve@ppld.org).**

For updates on PPLD events and news, follow us on Twitter at [twitter.com/ppld](https://twitter.com/ppld).



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Do you have a question or suggestion for Pikes Peak Library District? Send an email to [improve@ppld.org](mailto:improve@ppld.org).

We will feature patron questions and suggestions in upcoming issues. Watch for our new eNewsletter: coming soon with activities and news about library service in El Paso County.

## PPLD.TV

We are streaming video of our productions online at PPLD.TV. Check out all three installments of our latest ad campaign, *What Do You Seek?*

Also recently posted to the site are a presentation by *Rocket Boys* author Homer Hickam, Partners in Philanthropy, Funky Fairy Tales, a talk by *Three Cups of Tea* author Greg Mortensen, the BBB Eye, World Affairs Council, and an entertaining performance by World Music Series act Vieux Farke Touré.

Watch PPLD TV on Comcast Channel 17 in November for these special programs:

**Mon., Nov. 2 ♦ 7:30 p.m.** CONO (Council of Neighbors & Organizations) Forum on economics featuring **Tom Binning** and **Fred Crowley**.

**Thu., Nov. 12 ♦ 6 p.m.** *The Life & Good Times of Marshall Sprague* Documentary on Marshall Sprague, author of *Money Mountain*.

**Sun., Nov. 22 ♦ 4 p.m.** *Fly Cheap, Stay Cheap, Travel Cheap* with travel photojournalist **Ron Stern**. Learn how to travel frugally using information from websites.

**Sun., Nov. 29**

**4 p.m.** rebroadcast of **Shivers Celebration 2007** with classical and jazz musicians.

**5 p.m.** rebroadcast of Shivers Concert Series featuring singer **Helen Dilworth**.



Comedian Paula Poundstone shows off one of the new All Pikes Peak Reads library cards.

**PPLD NEWSMAGAZINE:** Tuesdays at 6 p.m.; Thursdays at 7 p.m.; Saturdays at 8 p.m.

**THE BBB EYE:** Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 6 p.m.

Lowering Energy Costs: with segments on federal tax credits, alternative energy sources, and the Energy Assistance Program.