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Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Launches in Larimer County

We know that reading begins at birth, and the benefits of a home library go far beyond the simple act of reading. That's why Poudre Libraries is excited to support the United Way of Larimer County (UWLC) as they launch Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Larimer County.



libraries and organizations.

- Books are specially selected, age-appropriate, high-quality titles.
- Books are delivered to registered children each month from birth to the month of their fifth birthday.
- Each book is personalized with the child's name and mailed directly to the home.

How to Sign Up Your Child

Visit www.uwaylc.org/ImaginationLibrary to get started with online signup or stop by the libraries for assistance. We also have printed bilingual enrollment forms.

There is an 8-10 week processing period for new registrations. Children who are registered by the 25th day of the month will receive their first book within ten weeks from the registration date.

Celebrate Reading at the Library

Throughout September, Poudre Libraries will host fun early literacy programs and activities to promote Imagination Library. September is also National Library Card Signup Month, so why not sign up your child for a library card and the Imagination Library! More information is available at www.PoudreLibraries.org.

The Imagination Library is a FREE early literacy program available to children, aged zero to five. Each child will receive age-appropriate books each month through age five. The books are hand-selected by a panel of early literacy professionals as a program of The Dollywood Foundation and include bilingual titles.

More details on the Larimer County Imagination Library program and online enrollment is available at www.uwaylc.org/ImaginationLibrary.

Reading Begins at Birth

Reading at home fosters a love of reading, kindergarten readiness, and social and emotional intelligence.

Program research shows between 66-75% of families read more to their children after receiving the Imagination Library books. Most importantly, children develop a lifelong love of learning and reading!



How the Program Works

Families residing in Larimer County can enroll their children at birth, or any time after birth through age 5, through United Way of Larimer County or onsite at any of

the Poudre Library locations. The Library is an enrollment partner for Imagination Library of Larimer County along with other local public



Free Small Business Event Returns this Month September 26 - 30

Poudre Libraries is proud to sponsor Founded in Fort Collins and support local small business owners, start-ups, and entrepreneurs.

The free event – formerly Fort Collins Startup Week – takes place September 26-30 at Front Range Community College. It is organized by a diverse group of local entrepreneurs and experts representing our community's best and brightest business minds.

Sessions and speakers deliver relevant and applicable information and represent the social and cultural makeup of Fort Collins' economy.

Business of any phase, type, and composition can benefit from the crowdsourced wisdom generated at Founded in FoCo. There's even an entire track dedicated to the special needs and considerations of artists and creators.

Additional details are available at Foundedinfoco.com, including options to submit a session presentation and to volunteer.



EVERY MON & WED	Drop-In Hours: City of Fort Collins Multicultural Business & Entrepreneur Center 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Old Town Receive help meeting your business or entrepreneurship goals. <i>Asista a estas sesiones abiertas para recibir ayuda para alcanzar sus metas como empresario o las de su negocio.</i>
EVERY WED & FRI	Outreach Fort Collins Noon – 2:00 PM, Old Town <i>All ages</i> Drop in for consultation and resources related to housing, food, healthcare, and other critical issues.
EVERY THUR	One-on-One Genealogy Assistance 1:00 – 3:00 PM, Old Town <i>Adults</i> Drop in to receive family history research assistance from Larimer County Genealogical Society volunteers.
EVERY THUR	Conversations in English 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Zoom <i>Adults. Registration required.</i> An informal setting for English language learners to practice and connect with others.
FRI 2	It's A Girl Thing Registration Opens Event Date: Friday, October 7 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM, Council Tree Girls in grades 4-6, along with mom or a woman companion are invited to read/discuss <i>Paradise on Fire</i> by Jewell Parker Rhodes. Registered pairs may pick up 1 complimentary copy of the book at Council Tree Library.
	Free Legal Clinic 2:00 – 3:30 PM, Old Town <i>Adults</i> First come, first served free service for people without an attorney. Participants can have a short appointment with an attorney via video conference.
SUN 4	Animal Afternoon 3:00 – 4:00 PM, Old Town <i>Grades K-5</i> Drop in to read to friendly animals! Presented by Larimer Animal People Partnership. Furry friends will be ready to read for 40-60 minutes.
MON 5	All Library locations closed for Labor Day
TUES 6	Hands-On Tech: Computer Comfort 1:00 – 2:30 PM, Old Town <i>Adults. Registration required.</i> Practice the fundamentals, including how to turn the computer on, use the mouse, and connect to the internet. Equipment is provided or bring your own device.
	Teen Council 5:30 – 7:30 PM, Harmony <i>Grades 6-12. Registration required.</i> Plan fun programs, help shape the teen collection, discover exciting volunteer opportunities, and more. Registration is required for new teen members.
	Great Decisions: Drug Policy in Latin America 6:00 – 7:30 PM, Old Town <i>Adults. Registration Required.</i> The issue of migration to the United States from Latin America has overshadowed the war on drugs, which has been underway for decades with little signs of progress. Is it time to reconsider punitive drug control policies?
WED 7	When Nobody Wants your Stuff... What Do They Want? 1:00 – 2:30 PM, Old Town <i>Adults, all ages. Registration required.</i> Larimer Advance Care Planning presents information on how to leave a legacy for your loved ones.
	BYOD - Bring Your Own Device Drop in Tech Help 5:30 – 6:30 PM, Old Town <i>Adults</i> Computer and device help from Library volunteers on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday evening of every month.

Tech All ages	Adults Teens/Tweens	Kids Storytimes
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WED 7 **Internet Básico**
5:00 – 6:30 PM, Old Town
Adultos. Se recomienda registrarse.
En esta clase práctica usted aprenderá y practicará habilidades básicas con el fin de navegar el internet para la investigación, búsqueda de empleos o sólo para diversión. Además, le daremos consejos para navegar formas de inscripción y para mantenerse seguro en línea. Todo el equipo es proporcionado.

THUR 8 **Self-Care Journaling: Authenticity in Action**
6:30 – 7:30 PM, Old Town
Adults, teens, tweens. Registration required.
Honor your story and connect with others through guided self-care journaling. Licensed therapist Kelly Gonyon will explore what it means to show up authentically each day. This is the first session in a series.

SAT 10 **Wade the River**
9:00 – 11:30 AM, Poudre River Trail near Lee Martinez Park
All ages. Register at fcgov.com/register.
Use dip nets and collecting trays to discover what lives beneath the surface of the Cache la Poudre River. Biologists will be on hand to help identify your finds. Equipment is provided. Caregivers must be present.

Hands-On Tech: Library to Go
3:00 – 4:30 PM, Council Tree
Adults. Registration required.
Learn to use the rich resources of the library for use at home or on the go, from eBooks, audiobooks and movies to databases. Bring your own devices.

SUN 11 **Animal Afternoon**
3:00 – 4:00 PM, Council Tree
Kids
See description on September 4.

TUES 13 **Kevin Cook: The Comprehension**
1:00 – 2:00 PM, Old Town
Adults, All ages
Friendship between people may not be the same as symbiosis between wildlife, but the parallel becomes more obvious when we consider relationships people have with dogs, cats, or parrots. Connectivity leads to a greater comprehension of life.

International Night
6:30 – 7:45 PM, Old Town
Adults
Mark Oberschmidt will present his recent completion of the Camino de Santiago – Primitivo in Northern Spain. Mark will talk about the history of the Camino/Primitivo, discuss other routes, the planning he did to complete the walk, the experiences he had meeting people, the local cuisine, and the beauty of northern Spain.

WED 14 **Rekindle the Classics**
6:30 – 8:30 PM, Gryphon Games & Comics, 1119 W Drake Rd.
Adults
This month's title is *The Garden of Eden* by Ernest Hemingway.

THUR 15 **Club de lectura Café de Ollá**
7:00 – 8:30 PM, Zoom o en persona
Adults. Registration required.
Únete al club de lectura en español Café de Olla y acompáñanos a conversar sobre *No es un río de Selva Almada*. Café de Olla se reúne de forma híbrida. Se proporcionarán copias del libro a las 15 primeras personas que lo soliciten. ¿Preguntas? ¡Llámanos! 970-658-3721. This program is offered in Spanish.

SAT 17 **Dungeons & Dragons for Teens**
1:00 – 4:00 PM, Zoom
Grades 6-12. Registration required.
Join our Dungeon Master for a fun-filled game of D&D on Zoom using Roll20. New players always welcome.

SUN 18 **Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month Community Celebration / Celebración comunitaria del mes de la herencia hispana y latina**
2:00 – 6:00 PM, Northside Aztlan Community Center
All ages
Join us as we host a community celebration filled with music, dance, art, stories, food and more! See you there! *Acompáñanos en una celebración comunitaria llena de música, baile, arte, historias, comida ¡y mucho más! ¡Nos vemos allí!*

TUE 20 **Hands-On Tech: Internet Basics**
1:00 – 2:30 PM, Old Town
Adults. Registration required.
Learn and practice the basics of browsing the internet for research, jobs, or just for fun. Plus, get tips for navigating sign-up forms and staying secure online. Equipment is provided, or bring your own device.

Teen Writers
4:30 – 5:30 PM, Harmony
Teens
Are you ready to flex your creative brain muscles? We will have writing exercises, prompts for ideas, and peer editing. Bring a piece you've already been working on to share with the group or start something brand new.

WED 21 **History Comes Alive: El Vaquero, America's First Cowboy**
Noon – 1:15 PM, Harmony
Adults, All ages
Learn about El Vaquero in this living history show performed by Angel Vigil. El Vaquero's story shows the origins and development of traditional cowboy practices in the American West, and a clear picture emerges identifying his traditional Spanish practices as the source of the daily activities of today's ranch worker. Presented by Front Range Community College and Poudre Libraries and sponsored by Colorado Humanities.

Book Club for Mortals
3:00 – 4:30 PM, Zoom
Adults. Register via email, mrickard@healthdistrict.org.
We will discuss *No Time Like the Future: An Optimist Considers Mortality* by Michael J. Fox. Join us for a monthly book club focusing on end-of-life themes facilitated by Health District of Northern Larimer County.

BYOD - Bring Your Own Device Drop in Tech Help
5:30 – 6:30 PM, Old Town
Adults
See description on September 7.

The Scoop: NoCo Community Conversations
6:00 – 7:30 PM, Old Town Library
Adults, Teens. Registration required.
"Take the pulse" of NoCo each month by discussing local news pieces and the sentiments around particular issues. Guest visits by local leaders, journalists, and community influencers. Let's revitalize local information pathways and keep our community in touch with the diverse backgrounds, positions, and opinions that make us great. Registered participants receive a short packet of reading and engagement materials prior to the session.

Money Matters: Home Buying & Refinancing
6:30 – 7:30 PM, Zoom
Adults
Discover the current local market, the cost of renting versus buying, how to choose a realtor, different loan types, down payment options, closing costs, and fees.

THUR 22 **QSA**
5:00 – 6:00 PM, Old Town
Teens
Queer Straight Alliance is a safe space for all LGBTQQIP2SAA+ youth to socialize and discuss current events, life, and books, with the occasional craft thrown in, all while meeting new peers.

Self-Care Journaling: Time and Transitions
6:30 – 7:30 PM, Old Town
Adults, Teens. Registration required.
Honor your story and connect with others through guided self-care journaling. Licensed therapist Kelly Gonyon will help participants reflect on a significant life transition and how it has impacted them. This is the second session in a series of workshops.

SAT 24 **Getting Arted**
10:00 AM - Noon, Old Town
Tweens, Teens. Registration required.
This self-driven activity will feature canvases, acrylic paints, brushes, sponges, stencils, tape, and other creative tools. Art created may be featured in a library art display.

Tea Time with Children's Author Andrea Wang
11:00 AM – 1:30 PM, Council Tree
Ages 3-7 and families.
Children's author Andrea Wang will read and sign copies of her new book, *Luli and the Language of Tea*. Tea from Happy Lucky's will be provided as a special treat! Presented by The Crowded Bookshelf and Poudre Libraries.

FAFSA 101
1:00 – 2:30 PM, Old Town
Adults, Teens
Staff will be on site to help fill out forms and answer questions. Bring your IDs, social security numbers, and 2020 tax information to complete the 2022-2023 FAFSA online applications. Laptops provided.

SUN 25 **Animal Afternoon**
3:00 – 4:00 PM, Harmony
Kids
See description on September 4.

TUES 27 **Hands-On Tech: Internet Beyond Basics**
1:00 – 2:30 PM, Old Town
Adults. Registration required.
Discover tips and tools for online security and privacy. Learn how to access browser data and privacy settings and discover tips for identifying online scams. Equipment is provided or you may bring your own device.

Let's Discover Picture Books
6:00 – 7:00 PM, Old Town
Adults. Registration required.
Discover new titles and trends in picture books! This program is designed for teachers, childcare workers, parents, storytellers, writers and all adults interested in picture books.

Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month Cooking Workshop: Chicken Mole / Taller de cocina del mes de la Herencia Hispana y Latina: pollo con mole
6:30 – 8:30 PM, Zoom
All ages. Registration required.
Celebrate Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month with a chicken mole. Participants must provide their own ingredients and tools. Sign up for this virtual makerspace to receive the list of ingredients and the Zoom link. Vegetarian option available. *Acompáñanos en esta clase de cocina bilingüe en línea para celebrar el mes de la herencia hispana y latina haciendo un pollo con mole. Los participantes deben proporcionar sus propios ingredientes y herramientas. Regístrate en este makerspace virtual para recibir la lista de ingredientes y el enlace a Zoom. Opción vegetariana disponible.*

WED 28 **Fall Harvest: Cooking with Sapna**
6:00 – 7:30 PM, Zoom
Adults. Registration required.
Learn how to spruce up old fall food favorites, and add new color to your autumn days. You can watch the demonstration, or make the recipes simultaneously in your own kitchen using the provided ingredient lists. Recipes are gluten-free and vegan friendly.

THUR 29 **Etegami Postcards & The Art of Mindful Mailing**
4:00 – 5:30 PM, Old Town
Tweens, Teens, Adults. Registration required.
Have fun with this watercolor process that incorporates mindfulness, and create your own postcards that you can mail. All supplies are provided.

STORYTIMES



September Storytimes The library offers a variety of Storytimes, including in-person outdoor, bilingual, telephone, and drop-in formats. See details at www.poudrelibraries.org/events. Fall Storytimes begin September 6.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
COUNCIL TREE Toddler Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM	COUNCIL TREE Toddler Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM	COUNCIL TREE Baby Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM	OLD TOWN Bilingual Outdoor Storytimes / Hora del cuneto bilingüe al aire libre 10:00 & 11:00 AM	OLD TOWN All Ages Outdoor Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM
Ages 4+ Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM	Ages 4+ Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM	HARMONY All Ages Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM		
HARMONY Baby Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM	OLD TOWN Baby Outdoor Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM	OLD TOWN All Ages Outdoor Storytime 10:00 & 11:00 AM		Saturday COUNCIL TREE All Ages Storytime 10:00 AM