

## Teen Advisory Board



Are you interested in volunteering at the library? You can take care of some of your community service hours by joining the Teen Advisory Board (TAB).

What is TAB? TAB members are teens in grades 6-12 who volunteer two hours a month to help us make the library a teen-friendly place. They share their opinions and ideas about library-sponsored teen events at TAB meetings and help to create this newsletter.

TAB meets every 1st and 3rd Monday from 4 to 5 p.m. in the first floor meeting room of the library. If you'd like to join TAB, stop by the Teen Zone Desk to fill out an application. Questions? Give us a call at 720-887-2360.

TAB members pictured above are in costume for our annual teen murder mystery program. This year's theme was "Death of a Highwayman" and took place at The Coach and Horses Inn. TAB members pictured from the top left are: Will, Kelseigh, Idalys, Trevor, Joe C., Molly, Jonathan, Montana, James, Zoe, and Martin. Missing TAB members: Brandi, Rami, Hailey, Joe F. and Shekinah.

## Teen art & two poems

### Goodbye By Brandi McClellan

We used to be best friends,  
Then one day things changed.  
I knew this day would come,  
But not this way.

It happened so fast.  
Could this be real?  
It seem like just yesterday,  
I could tell you how I feel.

But today it's not the same,  
You're the one,  
That caused all the pain.

I close my eyes,  
Hoping that this is a dream.  
But when they open,  
Everything's the same.

You've really changed,  
Moved on, let go.  
And now it's time,  
For me to do the same.

It's time for me,  
to finally let go,  
of the pain.

When I see you in the halls,  
You give me dirty looks,  
But I don't regret the steps I  
took.

Deep down I always know,  
That our friendship,  
Was never really true.

We're too much alike,  
You and I.  
So now it's time,  
to say good-bye.

### Poem By Sam Martin

My regards go  
to those friendly  
salamanders  
that crept in one ear  
and out the other  
as I slept.

### Drawing By Idalys Spear



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# The 411

Questions?  
Contact the  
Teen Zone  
720-887-2360

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### What is The 411?

It's the Young Adult Newsletter published by the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library & our Teen Advisory Board.

Inside you'll find:  
-Calendar of Teen Library Events  
-Original Articles by & for teens  
-Features such as poetry & art

## Teen Programs

### Knitting Rocks!



Ever wanted to learn how to knit? Drop by the Teen Zone and hang with other teen knitters. All levels of knitters are welcome. If you don't have supplies, we've some to lend you.  
**1st Saturdays, 10 - noon. (12/2, 1/6 & 2/3)**

### Anime Showings

Looking for something cool to do? Grab some friends and watch Anime on the library's big screen. Anime showings are on the 1st Tuesday of each month. Registration is required.  
**1st Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m. (12/5 & 2/6)**



### Write Out



Want to be nurtured as a writer? Try our writing group, *Write Out*. We'll write spontaneously, share our writing (no critiquing), and discuss our writing process. Meetings on select Sundays.  
**Group discussion- 3rd Sundays, 2-4 p.m. (12/17, 1/21 & 2/18)**  
**Quiet writing- 4th Sundays, 2-4 p.m. (1/28 & 2/25)**

### Chess Plus

Are you craving a new chess opponent? Stop by the Teen Zone on the 1st Sunday of each month and challenge another teen to a game. We have lots of other board games too!  
**1st Sundays, 1-3 p.m. (1/7 & 2/4)**



### Holiday Crafts



Get ready for the holidays with cool home-made gifts. We'll show you how to make and decorate candles, yarn critters, fleece scarves, and ornaments. It's all free! Can't beat that.  
**Saturday, December 9th, 2-4 p.m.**

### Gaming Showdown

Show us what you've got playing XBOX and PS2 party games with your fellow gamers. Bring your own controller if you have one; we'll provide the rest.  
**Thursday, December 21st, 2-4 p.m.**



### Stress Relief



Relax! Or learn how to at this afternoon workshop with instructor Sydney Solis. She'll teach you meditation and relaxation techniques using yoga for stress relief.  
**Wednesday, December 27th, 2-4 p.m.**

### Battle of the Brains II

You'll get to prove your science knowledge at this program as you try to answer trivia questions on forensics, chemistry, climate, astronomy, and microscopes (ages 9-14).  
**Thursday, December 28, 1-3 p.m.**



### Calendar Crafts



Don't throw out that old calendar! Reminisce on the past year by transforming your calendar into something new and unique. Create fun and handy wallets, boxes, and more.  
**Saturday, January 20th, 2-4 p.m.**

### Yu-gi-oh Card Game

Join us for an afternoon of *Yu-Gi-Oh!* trading card fun. Please bring your own deck of *Yu-Gi-Oh!* cards. If you don't have your own, we have a couple of decks to loan.  
**Saturday, February 17th, 2-4 p.m.**



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Teen programs are for students in grades 6-12 and registration is required. You may sign-up at the Teen Zone desk or by calling 720-887-2360.

## What's new in the Teen Zone

### Skydiving at the library?



That got your attention, didn't it? This was one of the program ideas that our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) came up with at our annual brainstorming party. Each year TAB gets together, eats some yummy vittles and comes up with all of our teen program ideas for the upcoming year.

For 2007, here are the top vote getters:

1. **Vampire Week**
2. **Interpretive Dance**
3. **Dance Dance Revolution**
4. **Karaoke Revolution**
5. **Debate Club**
6. **Writing**
7. **Toga Party**
8. **Dragon-themed book discussion group**
9. **Drawing**
10. **Photography**
11. **Sky Diving**
12. **Kite Flying/Construction**
13. **Yoga**
14. **Building Websites/Html**
15. **Acting Camp**

We may not be able to do teen skydiving at the library, but you'd be surprised at some the programs we do have. Acting, manga drawing, Harry Potter, food tastings and

movie showings. Keep an eye out for cool stuff 'cause it's happening @ your library.

Coming to your Teen Zone in 2007: DIGITAL LISTENING STATIONS! That's right, you read correctly. The Young Adult Department is purchasing an iPod and an MP3 player for use in the Teen Zone. We'll have music and audio books to listen to while you're hanging out. You won't believe your ears as you listen to stuff from the library collection, at the library.

You'll want to check out our library webpage ([www.broomfieldlibrary.com](http://www.broomfieldlibrary.com)) next year, as we'll be upgrading the available web services in January. You'll be able to sign up via email to receive lots of info about new library materials, book lists and more!

Speaking of library web stuff, did you know you can access most of the library databases from home? Don't have a clue what a database is? No worries. The library subscribes to information services, companies that collect and store information such as newspaper articles, and makes them available to library patrons **24-HOURS-A-DAY**.

So when you're writing that report at 10 p.m. and you need more information, give us a try.

- Go to our webpage: [www.broomfieldlibrary.com](http://www.broomfieldlibrary.com)
- **Select Databases** on the bottom toolbar
- **Click on the database** you're interested in. Topics include everything from magazine and newspaper articles, health, science, reading suggestions, and SAT practice tests.
- **Enter your library card info** and you're good to go!

## Teen Articles

### Review of *The Traveler* By Sam Martin



*The Traveler* is a new science fiction novel about the near future. The book explains that many of those who have caused great change throughout history were actually Travelers; people who can send their spirit or light across the borders between dimensions and in doing so, come to great epiphanies about the nature of their own world.

However, those who do not wish for such changes to come about, those who wish for absolute obedience and order, started an organization called the Brethren or the Tabula and have spent centuries killing off Travelers. Another group was then formed to protect the Travelers: the Harlequins, who revel in chaos and unpredictability. Recently, however, the Travelers and Harlequins have been losing the fight to the Tabula, who have the advantage of money and power and control over major monitoring

services around the world. The Tabula use cameras placed in stores and airports as well as fingerprint and retina scanning to keep track of and locate possible Travelers and Harlequins. Consequently, there are only a very few of either group left in the world when the book begins.

The story centers around a reluctant Harlequin named Maya who is pulled from her attempt at living a normal life back into the battle her ancestors have been fighting for centuries. She's one of the few Harlequins left, so she is sent to find and protect the two brothers who her allies believe to be the last Travelers alive.

*The Traveler* is an interesting book and I'd recommend it to people who like 1984-type stories. It was referred to in *Time* magazine as "The stuff that first-rate high-tech paranoid-schizophrenic thrillers are made of," and that pretty much explains everything, even though sentences can't end in prepositions.

*The Traveler* is written by **John Twelve Hawks** and can be found in **Adult Fiction** under **Fic Twe**.

## The Teen Zone Online!

Check out our Teen Zone webpage for cool books to read, author info and fun stuff for teens. [www.ci.broomfield.co.us/library/TEENZONE/TZ\\_Homepage.shtml](http://www.ci.broomfield.co.us/library/TEENZONE/TZ_Homepage.shtml)

## Contest

### Attention artists! The Teen Zone is seeking your original, manga-style art

Contest is open to everyone in grades 6 through 12.

Submission deadline is **December 30, 2006**.

Please submit all artwork to:  
Mamie Doud Eisenhower  
Public Library  
Teen Zone  
3 Community Park Rd.  
Broomfield, CO 80020  
720-887-2360

**Top three winners will receive prizes**

**1st prize \$25  
2nd prize \$15  
3rd prize \$10**



**Ask at the Teen Zone desk for more details and a submission form.**

### Review of *The Princess Bride* By Trevor Hoyt



*The Princess Bride* is one of the most fascinating books ever written. Ask anyone who's seen the movie or read the book and they'll say it's awesome. It is.

*The Princess Bride* has elements of adventure, romance, suspense, horror and fantasy. The book starts out with an introduction by the "abridger", William Goldman. He edited *The Princess Bride* so you don't have to read the boring parts. But after he shuts up, we see Buttercup, who's on the top 20 list of the most beautiful people ever. By the end of the first chapter, she's rejected by her one and only true love, and she dies. (metaphorically speaking)

There are unforgettable characters such as Fezzick, the strongest giant to ever live, Inigo Montoya, the greatest swordsman ever, and Westley, the farm boy who first rejects Buttercup but had a whole elaborate reason for it. Then there's Buttercup, the most perfect, beautiful person in the history of the world.

There are famous phrases such as:

- "Hello. My name is Inigo Montoya. You killed my father. Prepare to die."
- "She gets kidnapped. He gets killed. But it all ends up okay." and
- "Inconceivable!"

We all know and love these words, and they come from one of the greatest novels ever, *The Princess Bride*. Also, this sets the stage for many fairy tales to come as it was written in the 1900's. It's a classic book of love, hate, vengeance, suspense, mystery and even fantasy. Now I sound like William Shakespeare.

With characters of never-ending imagination, a plot that includes kidnapping, assassination, and horror, it's all in a book that's just the right length to keep you interested. *The Princess Bride* is a cherished novel that promises to please one and all.

*The Princess Bride* is written by **William Goldman** and can be found in the Teen Zone under the call number **YA Go!**. You can find the movie that's based on this book in the first floor media section. The call number is **DVD 791.4372 Pri**.