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Library Research Service Launches Internet-based Surveys

For the first time all three major Colorado library surveys – public, school, and academic – will be online. The success and convenience of online surveys have been demonstrated by the annual public library survey, which has been administered electronically for the past two years. Library professionals should find it easier than ever to complete the survey for their library.

Participation in this survey is very important. The information gathered from the annual library surveys provides library professionals with important statistics for planning, evaluating, and budgeting. In addition, the statistics collected from these surveys illustrate in quantifiable terms the importance of libraries in our communities. For example, the school survey was the basis for the study, "How School Librarians Help Kids Achieve Standards," which demonstrates the importance of LMCs to schools and student performance.

Look for results of the surveys on the <u>LRS</u> website late spring and early summer. Questions and inquires should be directed to <u>Keith Lance</u>, LRS – Director or <u>Nicolle Steffen</u>, LRS – Associate Director.

ACLIN Discontinuing 800# Dial-in Service

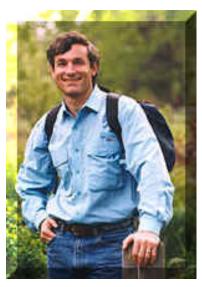
ACLIN is discontinuing 800# dial-in service to the Colorado Virtual Library in January 2002. Please remove any references you have to the 800# and the dial-in service from your literature and/or signage.

During 2001, Qwest made a business decision to eliminate their local dial-in numbers. Substitute service is prohibitively expensive. The <u>Colorado Virtual Library</u> web site will continue to be available. Individual users without Internet access should use their local public library for access to the Colorado Virtual Library. Direct questions or comments via e-mail to

<u>comments@aclin.org</u>. If you would like a response, you must include your e-mail address in the body of the message.

YA (Teen) Library Services in Colorado Update

- The next meeting of C'YAAL: Colorado Young Adult Advocates in Libraries, is February 21, at the Harmony Branch, Ft. Collins Public Library. Membership or simply attendance at these meetings is free! If you have not been involved previously, don't hesitate to come. The major topic of discussion will be web site research for teens, highlighting a new bilingual site from CSU. Please RSVP to Sara Thompson at sthompso@julip.fcgov.com, 970.204.8403. Visit C'YAAL's web site for information.
- Colorado Blue Spruce YA Book Award: Need a quick mid-winter reading program? Try
 Blue Spruce, books chosen for Colorado teens, by Colorado teens! Teens read at least
 three titles off of the list, and can vote for the winner. Web site includes ideas for using
 Blue Spruce materials year-round. Watch for presentations at CCIRA and CEMA!
 Deadline for voting April 1, 2002
- The Young Adult Literature Conference will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2002, Auraria Campus. Keynote speaker is T. A. Barron (Heartlight, The Ancient One, Merlin Chronicles). Morning speaker is Victoria Hanley (The Seer and the Sword), winner of the 2001 Colorado Book Award (YA category). Registration is due April 1, 2002. For information, visit the 14th Annual Young Adult Literature Conference web site.



(T. A. Barron, featured speaker at Young Adult Literature Conference)

Statewide <u>YA Summer Reading Program</u> launched! "Xtreme Reads" is the first major project to sponsor a comprehensive YA Summer Reading Program. A collaborative effort, created by young adult librarians across Colorado to encourage teens to read (and save teachers and librarians planning time), C'YAAL master-minded the approach. FREE electronic files of booklists, game cards, and graphics will be available. A sample of the artwork, created by a Colorado teen, is on view.

CEMA Conference Features Children's Authors and

Illustrators

The last CEMA conference, targeted to school library media personnel and others who work with students, is scheduled for Thursday through Saturday, February 14 through 16, at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs. In addition to a variety of programs and speakers, there are 19 more reasons to attend. Colorado authors or illustrators of childrens' or young adult materials—including names like Nancy Bentley, Craig Brown, Anne Cooper, Julie Dannenberg, Dorothy Donahue, Alane Ferguson, Mary Peace Finley, Mary Bahr Fritts, Victoria Hanley, Donna Jackson, Charlotte Jones, Claudia Mills, Ann Nagda, Phyllis Perry, Julie Peters, Gary Raham, Barbara Steiner, Caroline Stutson, Linda White--will appear on Friday evening, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. "Authors/illustrators heroes @your library" is free (cash bar), and you can meet these folks informally. For information about the CEMA Conference, with online registration, see the web site.

Red Zinger/Coors Classic Archives on Permanent Loan to DPL

The Denver Public Library has acquired 14 (1975-88) years of Red Zinger Bicycle Classic and Coors International Bicycle Classic materials for permanent installation in their Special Collections Archives. The collection was donated by Michael Aisner and Kay Groeneveld, owners/promoters of America's premier international stage race and National Cycling Tour. The multi-day race through California, Nevada and Colorado reigned as one of the top five stage races in the world, attracting top pros and amateurs, Tour de France, World and Olympic champions and is credited as being instrumental in the careers of three-time Tour de France champion Greg LeMond, pro Andy Hampsten, Olympic gold medallist Connie Carpenter and America's most winning racer, Davis Phinney, among many other notable cyclists.

The collection includes printed material such as the annual race magazines and yearbooks, spectator guides, wall calendars, race manuals, contracts, correspondence and sponsorship proposals, along with ephemera, videos, and footage from the film "American Flyers", shot at the race. The Red Zinger / Coors Classic Collection is located on the fifth floor in the Western History and Genealogy Department, for research use. For information, contact Barbara Walton, 720-865-1821.



Spanish-language Site Launched by Securities and Exchange Commission

The <u>Securities and Exchange Commission</u> has launched a free Spanish site that describes the role of the SEC and how it protects investors. The site includes Spanish translations of most popular brochures on investment and avoiding fraud as well as links to other Spanish-language investor education resources from government and industry. For those who lack Internet

access (of course, we all know access is available at public libraries!) or prefer the telephone, call 1.800.732.0330.

For additional information, E-Mail: Bonnie McCune, mccune_b@cde.state.co.us

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