

Centennial State Libraries

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Bookmarks

- Opportunity knocks with new fiscal year.
- Pikes Peak (new online catalog) or bust!
- Free Kansas business publication online.
- American Memory site adds narratives about ex-slaves and Washington DC.

New Fiscal Year Opportunity to Review Tech Equipment

As the new fiscal year approaches, now is the time to start thinking about updating old equipment and software. If you are looking for benchmarks to gauge where your library should be in terms of technology, check out the newly revised technology standards at or through the PDF version at. The standards are divided into three levels. Each level addresses standards for 1) hardware, 2) training, and 3) functionality, performance, and level of service. Standards are revised twice a year by the technology committee that includes representatives from regional library systems, multi-type libraries, and the State Library.

Library Premieres New Online Catalog

The Pikes Peak Library District (PPLD) is introducing a new online catalog and web site this month. The new catalog - with enriched content that includes book jacket images, tables of contents and book reviews - is an easy way to search for books, videos, CDs, CD-ROMs, magazines and more. Users can create their own reading profiles and be notified when the library receives new books by favorite authors or about favorite subjects. The Catalog also allows patrons to customize a Personal Identification Number (PIN) to ensure record confidentiality. You can test the new system AFTER installation, May 16, at <u>PPLD's</u> web site.

Kansas Business Review Now Online Free

The *Kansas Business and Economic Review* has debuted as a free, online resource. You can register to get electronic notification as issues are published. See the <u>spring</u> issue.

Two Collections Added to American Memory Web Site

The Library of Congress is making available two new collections of narratives on the American Memory web sit. "Born in Slavery: Slave Narratives from the Federal Writers' Project, 1936-1938" and "The Capital and the Bay: Narratives of Washington and the Chesapeake Bay Region, ca 1600-1925" enable remote access to these historic documents via the internet. For information, contact the <u>American Memory</u> web site.

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