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Colorado Filtering Clearinghouse Provides Help to Libraries

The Colorado State Library announces a new resource for libraries wanting more information about Internet filtering. It's called the Colorado Filtering Clearinghouse, and it's available on-line at <http://www.aclin.org/filtering/>. The site provides an objective look at the issues involved in filtering, and also provides a central starting point for libraries researching the many issues. The Colorado Filtering Clearinghouse contains sections covering reasons libraries may or may not want to filter, filtering technologies, the costs involved in filtering, the Children's Internet Protection Act (or CIPA), links to point-of-view resources in the filtering discussion, and much more.

Also on the site are two important studies of the performance of filters when using library resources. The resources tested were common databases used in library environments. Since databases are generally considered credible sources of information (as well as ones that libraries pay for as a patron service), any blocking of those sites are problematic in a library environment.

Stress the Education Connection for Young Adult Library Services

A page has been added to the Colorado Young Adult Advocates in Libraries web site that contains information about CDE Educational Standards and Benchmarks. Just a quick read gives you standards you might be addressing in your programs. It's always helpful to show how "fun" programs often address teen education. The page is located in the resources section: <http://www.aclin.org/~cyaal/resources/cdestand.html>.

Thanks to Mary McCarthy for this hard work.

BOOC News Now Online for Summer Author, Publishing, and Book Activities

The Summer Edition of BOOC Book News is posted on the web site www.coloradobook.org. Download the document for events and information

ALA Exhibit Offered, Features Women Physicians

The ALA Public Programs Office, in collaboration with the National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland, announces a tour to 40 libraries of a new traveling exhibition celebrating the lives and achievements of women in medicine since they first gained admission to American medical schools 150 years ago. Deadline for applications to host "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians" is September 1, 2004. Applications to host the exhibition are invited from public, academic and medical libraries. See www.ala.org/ala/ppo/currentprograms/changingthefaceofmedicine/changingmedicine.htm to download an application and guidelines or find out more about the exhibition. Libraries selected for the tour will host the exhibition for a six-week period.

Libraries Remember 9/11

A commemoration for September has been launched by Bensenville Community Public Library in Illinois, and Colorado libraries are invited to participate. The institution proposes that libraries of every type, size and location open for 24 hours from midnight on Friday, September 11 through Saturday, providing business as usual. The director's letter says, "nothing is more antithetical to the causes of fanatical terrorism than the daily business of libraries. Libraries represent the sum of all human knowledge. They also represent equal access to that knowledge." This is a volunteer

effort. The library also hosts a national conversation over the Internet on the evening of September 11. For more information, visit www.bensenville.lib.il.us/911, or contact Bill Erbes, assistant director, bill@clearnet.org.

New Publication on Immigrant Integration Provides Information

"Immigrant Integration in Colorado," a new publication from the Colorado Trust, has recently been published. It outlines what is needed to help immigrants and refugees integrate into their new communities and provides cross-cutting strategies for advancing integration. To receive a free copy, call 303.837.1200 or download at http://www.coloradotrust.org/repository/publications/pdfs/ImmigrantIntegrationReport4_04.pdf

Information Literacy Skills Conference Scheduled for Mexico

Juárez University Libraries invite librarians, educators, library products and services suppliers, and professionals involved in the facilitation of information literacy competencies to participate in its fourth international conference. This will be at Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, México, October 21 to 23, 2004. You can attend and participate by

- Submitting a paper
- Reporting on a user education program experience
- Exhibiting / demonstrating user education materials
- Taking part in discussion groups
- For more information, see the Conference's WWW site at < <http://www.uacj.mx/dhi/> > or contact the organizers via email: Jesús Cortés at jcortes@uacj.mx or Jesús Lau at jlau@uv.mx.

Library of Congress Adds Folklorist Collection, Civil War Experiences

The Library of Congress has added resources to its web site that will interest many library users. The Alan Lomax Collection, an unparalleled ethnographic documentation collected by the legendary folklorist, will be added to other Lomax materials previously at LC. They contain pioneering documentation of traditional music, dance, tales and other forms of grassroots creativity. Over the next few years, the Association for Cultural Equity will work with LC's American Folklife Center to create databases for the collection. Another recent addition, an extraordinary look into the lives of a Union soldier and his family is now available online in "A Civil War Soldier in the Wild Cat Regiment," <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/tcrhtml/>. It

includes selected letters, a timeline, and a presentation on the Reynolds family.

Librarian Book Recommendations Reach National Audience

As part of the second year of Woman's Day magazine's online book club, library staff are now preparing recommendations on books for children and young adults. The book club is currently featured on the site's "Community" section at www.womansday.com/community and will run through next spring, with each selection featured for two weeks. Readers can share their thoughts about reading and books in the "Book Club Forum" section of the web site.

For additional information, E-Mail: [B. McCune](mailto:B.McCune)

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