

# Centennial State Libraries

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## Current Trends in Library Automation from the Info Today National Conference

Not long ago, the web-based online catalog was a novelty in public libraries. Some patrons were reluctant to switch from those familiar text-based terminals to a web-enriched searching environment. Now that the Internet has become almost ubiquitous in libraries, with about 96% of Colorado public libraries alone having some form of access to the Internet, many patrons have grown to expect a web gateway, not only into the library's holdings, but also to full-text articles, digital images, and more.

How have library automation vendors responded to this ever-increasing demand for instantaneous information regardless of format or location? What developments in library automation are on the horizon? What are some current trends in automation that may dictate what we will see in future products and services?

Explore a summary of ideas expressed at the E-libraries Info Today conference (formerly National Online Meeting). An executive panel of automation vendors and experts in the field discussed current developments and future trends in library automation, including content integration, ASP model, XML, standards, partnerships and convergence. Rose Nelson, from the Colorado State Library, shares her [perceptions](#) and perspective.

## FREE Display Materials for August - National Inventors' Month

August is National Inventors' Month and three organizations are providing FREE display materials for libraries. Inventors' Digest, along with the Academy of Applied Science and the UIA-USA, are offering the materials for libraries to use during the month-long celebration of ingenuity. Some of the items in the display packet are posters, banners, invention factoids, and bookmarks containing quotes from famous inventors. To request materials, go to the Inventors' Digest web site <http://www.inventorsdigest.com> and click on National Inventors' Month - August. Click the box, "Librarian: Click here to order a free display for your library."

## Personnel Changes

Brenda Bailey and Gene Hainer were married in early June. Brenda is Director of the Networking and Resource Sharing Unit (formerly the ACLIN unit) at the State Library. Gene is Director of Library Development, also at the State Library.

Patricia Froehlich has been appointed as Senior Consultant for Public Libraries at the Colorado State Library. Most recently Patricia served under the same job title at the New Mexico State Library. Her duties include serving in an advisory and consultant role for public libraries in the state, being a member of one of the CDE Regional Teams, and coordinating the state Summer Reading Program. Her background includes experience in school libraries in addition to the recent work with New Mexico public libraries. She has an MLS from the University of Arizona and an M.Ed. from the University of New Mexico.



Patricia Froehlich, new Senior Consultant for Public Libraries

## The Readers' Choice Award for Teen Books Celebrates *READ* magazine's 50th Anniversary

The Readers' Choice Award for Teen Books is announced in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Weekly Reader's [Read magazine](#). It is the first national award that involves books nominated and voted on by young people in middle and high school across the nation. The nominated books must be written specifically for the teen market and must have been published in the past five years. Nominations will be taken from May 15 through November 15. Students can e-mail two or three nominations (by different authors) to [edread@weeklyreader.com](mailto:edread@weeklyreader.com). Weekly Reader's [Read magazine](#) began providing quality literature for readers in grades six through ten in 1951.

## Web Address for Locating Free Internet Access

The web address for the ConnectNet database, referred to in the previous issue of Centennial, was inadvertently omitted. It is <http://www.connectnet.org/english/>. The site can be searched by zip code and provides information about free Internet access at libraries and other community technology centers

## Censorship Exhibit Available

The Long Island Coalition Against Censorship is offering a new edition of the exhibit "Censorship in Schools and Libraries" for \$35 per copy. The exhibit presents 28 illustrations (approximately 11" x 14") with accompanying text that highlights incidents of censorship in the US over the last 100 years. For information, contact [coalcen@juno.com](mailto:coalcen@juno.com) or call 516.944.9799. To use during Banned Books Week in the fall, orders must be received by September 1.

## Mauritius Librarian Visits CSL

Yves Chan Kam Lon, Director of the National Library of Mauritius, visited Denver in June to study several outstanding libraries. He met with State Librarian Nancy Bolt, as well as her staff members. Appointed as the first national librarian in 1999, Chan Kam Lon is responsible for planning a new building and developing the library as the official archive of the government.



Yves Chan Kam Lon, Director of the National Library of Mauritius, checks out the Colorado Virtual Library and the new SWIFT interlibrary loan system with Paula Busey as guide.

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