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Staff Changes at CSL

The Colorado State Library welcomes two new staff people and bids farewell to a several others.



Michaela Hansen

Michaela Hansen has been appointed Director of Library Development. Prior to coming to Colorado, Hansen worked for the Missouri State Library. Hansen brings to Colorado extensive experience from teaching and working in academic and public libraries as well as expertise in administration, staff and trustee training and library development. Hansen holds an MLS from the University of Missouri and a Ph.D. in German literature from the University of Kansas. Hansen's responsibilities include managing staff consultants for schools, public and institutional libraries and coordinating the federal grant program.



Kristin Johnson







Kristin Johnson has been named as Virtual Reference Coordinator of Ask Colorado. She most recently was Information Literacy/Instruction Librarian for Meriam Library, California State University, Chico. Prior to that she was Reference Librarian/Instructor at Elmer E. Rasmuson Library, University of Alaska, Fairbanks. She holds an MLS from the University of Texas at Austin.

Goodbye to Networking & Resource Sharing's (NRS) director Brenda Bailey-Hainer, who has been appointed executive director of BCR (Bibliographical Center for Research, the multistate, nonprofit library network. Bailey-Hainer has been responsible for the Colorado Virtual Library, statewide resource sharing initiatives for Colorado libraries as well as the AskColorado statewide collaborative virtual reference service.

Also goodbye to Barbara Dey, a veteran of many years at CSL, who handled Jobline and resources and now is retired. Sally Gillich, with Institutions, also has departed to move back East. Thanks to all these alums for their services.

Late Bulletin on Numerous Fast Facts Recently Published







The topics range from librarians' salaries to the impact of staff training on library early literacy services, but "Fast Facts" retains its reputation for brief, cogent, powerful insight in Library Land. Page through these offerings:

-  No. 238 [Salaries of Librarians and Other Professionals Working in Libraries](#) by Jennifer French
-  No. 241 [Challenged Materials in Colorado Public Libraries, 2005](#), by Holly Cole (keep this in mind if you need to answer questions from the media)
-  No. 242 [How Students and Faculty Use Academic Libraries Differently](#) by Don Dickenson (fascinating differences)
-  No. 240 [Access to Internet Goes Hand in Hand with Other Public Library Services & May Attract Library Visitors](#) by Keith Curry Lance (lots of food for thought AND for publicity)
-  No. 239 [Training Jumpstarts Early Literacy Services](#) by M. Claire Williamson (review of original intentions of library staff)
-  No. 237 [Early Literacy Initiative Impacts Public Library Services for Young Children](#), by Robbie Bravman Marks (how libraries actually IMPLEMENTED changes)

View these and other Fast Facts at <http://www.lrs.org/fastfacts.asp>

Take a Big Leap Forward

Have you ever wondered about forming a library district? Studies show that district funding tends to be more stable and beneficial than other ways of supporting libraries. The Colorado State Library has created a new web page with information and resources on library districts in Colorado. This page provides information on the steps to form a library district, and also includes the following sections:

-  Library Districts
-  Colorado Library Law
-  Bylaws, Establishment, and Budget Samples
-  District Budget Resources and Examples
-  Resources and Assistance
-  Library District Campaign Resources

The Library District Information Page can be viewed at www.cde.state.co.us/cdelib/LibDev/LibraryDistrictInformation/LibraryDistrictInfo_Home.htm. For further information, contact Patricia Froehlich, Public Library Senior Consultant, 303-866-6908, froehlich_p@cde.state.co.us

Shades of Katrina! Online Disaster Planning Tool Available







If you attended ALA in New Orleans or if you recall any of the media coverage of the post-Katrina impacts, you can get a sense of the scope of a disaster. Your library, school, or institution can prepare for any eventuality with “dPlan.” “dPlan,” a free web-based fill-in-the-blank program for writing institutional disaster plans, was created, tested, and refined by the Northeast Document Conservation Center (NEDCC) and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC), with funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. “dPlan” works when you log on to www.dplan.org and enter your institution’s information into a template that guides you through the creation of a comprehensive disaster plan. Explore dPlan's features in an introductory demo on the homepage.

dPlan's easy-to-use program automatically supplies language for a final plan. The resulting printable, customized disaster plan contains checklists of all disaster procedures, salvage priorities, preventive maintenance schedules, current contact information for personnel, insurance and IT help, as well as a list of supply sources and emergency services.

IMLS reports 80% of collecting institutions do not have an emergency plan that includes collections with staff trained to carry out the plan. dPlan is designed to help institutions









of all sizes: For more information, contact Lori Foley of NEDCC, lfoley@nedcc.org or Gregor Trinkaus-Randall of MBLC, gregor.trinkaus-randall@state.ma.us



















Out & About with CSL Staff

-  Debbi MacLeod from the CTBL attended the Family Resource Day at Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind in June in Colorado Springs.
-  Nance Nassar, School Library Senior Consultant, presented at a preconference session on "School Library Advocacy" at the American Library Association Conference in New Orleans in June.
-  Andrew Breland, Diane Walden and Diana Reese from Institutions spent a week in Pueblo moving the Youthful Offender System and Pueblo Minimum Center libraries. As of July 1, PMC became LaVista Correctional Facility.
-  Diane Walden and Diana Reese attended the ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans. Diane spent a day working with a Common Grounds volunteer and 10 other librarians from around the country to demolish the first floor of a woman's house in the 9th Ward. Can you imagine wearing rubber boots, a Tyvek suit, a mask, and goggles in 95 degree heat?
-  Patricia Froehlich, Public Library Senior Consultant, and Bonnie McCune, Library Community Programs Consultant, met with leaders from Louisville Public Library in July on strategic planning issues.
-  Keith Lance, Director of Library Research Service, was part of a prestigious panel at ALA on school libraries. Also appearing in the session was First Lady Laura Bush. By the way, Keith is quoted extensively in an editorial as well as an article ("Ross to the Rescue") in the April 2006 issue of "School Library Journal."

No Question Is Beyond Our Answers

Some of the very interesting questions received—and answered!—by the Colorado State Publications Library recently include:

-  Obtaining criminal records
-  Security guards' firearm registration
-  Constituent's representatives
-  Traffic sound barriers
-  ATV use on old mining roads
-  License plate numbers in 1920-1960
-  Square miles in each school district
-  Real estate transfer fees

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-  Corporate reports
 -  How much water Colorado sells
 -  Unaffiliated candidates in the legislature
 -  New smoking ban law
 -  Early Colorado irrigation voting records
 -  Ceremony for the new state quarter
 -  State cafeteria contracts
 -  Tax preparers' license
 -  Adoption records
 -  10 year state economic projections
 -  Paid college tuition for military
 -  Bond elections
 -  Meaning of the numbers and letters in school district names
 -  Operating budget of the environmental sections of the CDPHE for the past 10 years
 -  Relocation information
 -  List of mbe/wbe businesses in Boulder county
 -  Colorado state seal and gem stone
 -  Colorado residency law

To get information like this, contact the Colorado State Publications Library at WWW.CDE.STATE.CO.US/STATEINFO/SLSTPASK.ASP. You also can order multiple copies of the new informational brochure about State Publications and the depository libraries around the state.

First Lady Announces Librarian Recruitment and Education Grants

First Lady Laura Bush announced \$20,869,145 in grants from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services. Thirty-five awards will go to universities, libraries, and library organizations across the country today to recruit and educate librarians. The grants are designed to help offset a current shortage of school library media specialists, library school faculty, and librarians working in underserved communities, as well a looming shortage of library directors and other senior librarians, many of whom are expected to retire in the next 20 years. Click here for a list of grant recipients organized by state: http://www.ims.gov/news/2006/062806_list.shtm

The grants benefit 26 doctoral, 361 master's, 3,201 continuing education, and 289 pre-professional students across the country. One recipient was the University of Colorado at Boulder Library, with its project "Government Information in the 21st Century." CU will partner with Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records; New Mexico State Library; Wyoming State Library; and Utah State University Library to create a multistate,

multitype library training program that will train reference and public service librarians in the use of electronic federal government information resources.

Another award that will affect Colorado was to Emporia State University School of Library and Information Management - "Emporia Diversity Initiative: Matching Recruitment with Retention Strategies" will lead a project designed to recruit, train, and retain 18 local minority library staff and students for library service in Kansas, Colorado, and Oregon. Candidates will receive full scholarships and earn undergraduate, master's, or doctoral library degrees.

Storytelling Festival This Month!

The 2006 Rocky Mountain Storytelling Festival and workshops are scheduled for Friday, July 28, 11:00 am to 9:30 pm at The Wildlife Experience Museum, Lincoln Ave. and S. Peoria St., Parker 80134; Saturday, July 29, 9 am to 9:30 pm at Palmer Lake Elementary, 115 Upper Glenway, Palmer Lake 80133.

Some of the West's best storytellers present workshops and concerts for adults and children. This year's Festival theme is The Poet's Tale, The Teller's Song, The Singer's Story. Full advance registration: Adults-\$44, Children-\$25. Individual events \$5 and up. For more information and a free brochure, contact John Stansfield at PO Box 588, Monument, CO 80132, 303-660-5849 (Denver metro) or toll-free 866-462 -1727. Visit the festival website at www.colo-performingartists.com