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Building Another Bridge: Equal Access to Technology for Special Populations

A teleconference on November 15, 10 am - noon, College Hill Library, 3645 W. 112th Avenue, Westminster. Sponsored by Central Colorado Library System and Front Range Community College, the first of the "Soaring to Excellence" teleconferences from the College of DuPage. No cost to participants. Register with CCLS in advance as space is limited: janice@colosys.net; 303-422-1150.

LSTA Statewide Grants Require Letter of Intent by **November 11**

A reminder for anyone planning to submit LSTA project proposals for 2003-2004: If submitting a Statewide Project Proposal, applicants *MUST* submit a letter-of-intent ** BY NOVEMBER 11, 2002 ** to be eligible for funding. The letter of intent form is on the final page of the guidelines package. This *required* letter of intent applies only to those who intend to submit a Statewide Leadership Proposal. The <u>03-04 Statewide</u> Leadership Project guidelines are available for download.

The <u>Local Needs LSTA project guidelines for 2003-2004</u> are also available for download at. Local Needs project proposals are due December 16th, 2002. No letter of intent is needed prior to submitting Local Needs proposals.

An LSTA Resource page has been added to the above website. It contains additional information about grant writing, including the PowerPoint presentation being used in RLSS and CAL workshops, handouts and bibliographies, strategic planning documents, and sample grants from past years. If you need a print copy of the information sent to you, or have questions about the grant funding or writing process, contact Gene Hainer.

Literacy Through School Library Awards Announced— Colorado Gets Three

Three Colorado schools were awarded grants through the federal Literacy Through School Libraries program. The grants are one- year grants to school districts in which 20 percent of the students are from families with incomes below the poverty line. They include Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind, Harrison School District Two (Colorado Springs), and Fort Morgan School District RE-3. Details about the program may be found online at the <u>US Department of Education</u> web site.

Volunteers Recruited for Marketing Campaign and Diversity Toolkit Site

People from across the state interested in libraries and their services now may become involved in two major projects. Colorado's **@your library** Advocacy Campaign includes training programs, media work, and outreach to corporations, government and nonprofits. A variety of projects, tailored to your needs and time, are available. The <u>Diversity Toolkit</u> site needs updating and refining. Again, this effort can be tailored to your needs. If interested, contact <u>Bonnie McCune</u>, 303.866.6891.

Traveling Exhibits Available from ALA

"Elizabeth I: Ruler and Legend":.The ALA Public Programs Office is now accepting

grant applications from libraries wishing to host a traveling panel exhibition commemorating the 400th anniversary of the death of Queen Elizabeth I of England. The exhibit encourages audiences not only to reacquaint themselves with the Queen, but also to become more familiar with the historical and cultural forces that shaped her personality and her time and examine the mixture of history and legend that continues to surround her today. Forty libraries will be selected to host the exhibition October 2003 and March 2006. Download the application and guidelines or request a copy by sending an e-mail message to publicprograms@ala.org. Applications must be received by December 20, 2002.

"Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation": The ALA Public Programs Office is now accepting grant applications from libraries wishing to host a traveling panel exhibit organized by The Huntington Library and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. The exhibition reexamines President Lincoln's efforts toward the abolition of slavery during the Civil War. Forty libraries will be selected to host the exhibition September 2003 and February 2006. Download the application and guidelines,or request a copy by sending an e-mail message to publicprograms@ala.org. Applications must be received by November 15, 2002.

Attention School Librarians and Media Specialists --- Stand-up and Be Counted

Don't miss this opportunity to participate in the 2002 Colorado School Library Survey. The information gathered in the annual school library survey provides all library professionals with important statistics for planning, evaluating, and budgeting. In addition, the statistics gathered from this survey are the basis for studies, like How School Librarians Help Kids Achieve Standards, which demonstrate the impact of school libraries on CSAP scores.

The Library Research Service at the State Library just released the new and improved annual survey of Colorado school libraries. Letters were mailed to all schools, districts, and RLSS with instructions and passwords for the survey. Easier than ever to use, the survey is online. Instructions on how to take the survey are also available on. For more information, contact Library Research Service at 303-866-6900 or Keith Lance.

CDP Annual Leadership Seminar for Museums, Libraries, Institutions

The Colorado Digitization Project's annual seminar is scheduled for Friday, December 6, University of Denver, Sturm Hall. It will explore the impact of digitization projects in communities, museum and library visitation, access through databases or online exhibits, new partnerships, educational uses. Details are available online at the Colorado Digitization Project's web site.

Award Deadlines Announced—Get Prizes and Recognition Here

- <u>Dun & Bradstreet Public Librarian Support Award 2003:</u> Nominations due December 1. Award assists business reference librarian to attend the ALA annual conference.
- 21st Century Librarian Award: Nominations due December 1. \$5000 Award recognizes librarians who have been leaders in the evolution of the profession in the new information environment. Sponsored by the MLS students at Syracuse University's School of Information Studies.
- <u>Highsmith Library Innovation Award:</u> Applications due December 1. \$2000 honorarium recognizes a public library's innovative and creative service program to the community.
- Allie Beth Martin Award: Nominations due December 1. \$3000 honorarium recognizes a librarian in a public library who has demonstrated an extraordinary range and depth of knowledge about books or other library materials and shared that.

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