

Thursday • 10:15 - 11:15 a.m.



### Pushing Books in the Bighouse: A Prison Librarian Panel Presentation

Track: Wildcard • Canyon Maple A  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenters: Stacy McKenzie, Erin Boyington, Molly Bassford, Megan Kinney

Prison libraries are small special libraries with a big specific purpose. Re-entry is the focus but the methods to get offenders there include dynamic programs, thoughtful collection development, a connection to civilian public libraries and so much more. Our panel includes supervisors, paraprofessionals, and academics with a passion for preparation and successful acclimation for ex-offenders into the public world. The panel will let you know all about working with female offenders, male inmates, and prison versus jail librarianship. Get the 411 on what to expect concerning the dress code, the workload and what we do in lockdown mode!

### Librarians Just Want to Have Fun With Threshold Concepts

Track: Instruction • Canyon Maple B  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenter: Mary Francis

This session will explore how librarians can integrate fun instructional techniques to motivate students during their information literacy sessions. Attendees will first discover how humor, games, and group work can be used to promote intrinsic motivation within students. Then attendees will take part in sample lessons that apply these instructional techniques in addressing the threshold concepts laid out within the Framework for Information Literacy. The content of this session is the topic of a forthcoming book put out by the ACRL Publications in Librarianship series.



### Futurecasting (No Crystal Ball Required!)

Track: 21st Century • Canyon Maple C  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenters: Becky Russell, Ashley Kazzyaka, Beth Crist, Casey Veatch

We are ceaselessly reminded that librarians must remain relevant in order to survive. But WHAT does that mean, and more importantly, HOW do we do it? When looking towards the future, you don't need a crystal ball or psychic powers to see changes ahead, but you might want some practical tools. Join us for a highly interactive session to explore and discuss important community trends (as described by the Center for the Future of Libraries) directly impacting the communities we serve. Together we will brainstorm ways to meet these challenges to help shape the future of libraries.



### Cultural Competency for Library Staff

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenter: Dale Savage

Increasingly, communities are embracing people from a multitude of cultural, ethnic, and linguistic groups from around the world. Other professionals regularly dealing with people from different cultural backgrounds such as foreign service workers, military personnel, cross-cultural change agents, and medical professionals have long relied on cultural competency training to prepare them for effective service. Participants will learn the basics of cross-cultural competency - understanding cultural differences, different communication styles (including cultural differences in body language), tips for cross-linguistic communication, and understanding the role of values in cultural difference.

### Fostering a Community of Practice: Continuing Development for Instruction Librarians

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenter: Shonn Haren

How can instruction librarians maintain a mastery of their craft while keeping up with changes such as the new ACRL Framework? In this session, I will provide a brief description on how instruction librarians at Wichita State University are creating a "community of practice" in which instructors with diverse backgrounds and varying levels of experience come together to enhance their understanding on topics ranging from assessment to threshold concepts. This session will take the form of a conversation group, with participants actively encouraged to share their own experiences of the challenges and opportunities they face as instruction librarians.



### Outreach Strategies in Archives and Special Collections

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenter: Blake Graham

This session is geared towards librarians and archivists who are interested in creative outreach strategies. Blake Graham will share a few stories about how the Douglas County History Research Center led acquisitions-focused outreach projects and partnerships that not only netted new and exciting collections, but also shifted the department's roles and responsibilities in unforeseen ways. Ultimately, two changes took place: (1) the department was able to identify and partially-fill historical gaps in local history collections, and (2) create new workflows to accept, preserve, and provide access to born-digital collections - an emerging responsibility entrusted to libraries.

## What's the deal with data?

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenters: Anali Perry, Matthew Harp

You've probably heard a lot of "futurists" talk about data, but it's not always clear how data relate to our day to day work in libraries. Why are data important, and what's the big deal? Data is not just spreadsheets and numbers, but comes in many different shapes, colors, and flavors! In this presentation, we will give an introduction to data, talk about why it is relevant, and demonstrate how to find and use data in practical situations. We will also provide innovative examples that will inspire you to connect with your colleagues and patrons!

## Large Scale Author Programs for not so large Libraries and Budgets

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenters: Ally Garcia, Ann Kling

One Book, One City, Community Reads, etc. these events are often grandiose and so are the budgets! When you are a small or medium sized library, how do you keep up with the Joneses? This session will lead you through planning a first time author event that engages the community, markets the library, creates partnerships to reduce costs, and cross-promotes for a successful author event. Attendees will leave with concrete examples, marketing and programming ideas, and new ways to build partnerships in their communities.

## Feast or Famine: Tweens and Teens @ Your Library

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry  
Thursday • 10:15 a.m.

Presenters: Zoe Bartzen, Christy Headrick, Kristine Gamer

Scenario 1: Tweens and teens flood into your library every afternoon, but you don't know what to do with them! Scenario 2: Your teen area is fantastically designed, but sadly empty every afternoon – how do you bring them in? We will share programs that have worked for us in our libraries showing you how to duplicate them in yours, and encourage discussion and sharing among the group for even more ideas to take home. You should leave with a plethora of new ideas to try, and the resources to make it happen!

Thursday • 12:45 - 1:45 p.m.

## Building a Community of Digital Archival Collections

Track: Wildcard • Canyon Maple A  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenters: Martha Talman, Lacy Dunlavy, Nicole LeBouef, Alysa Selby, Nancy Barnes Trimm

Archival collections represent a significant source of unique information. Making those collections accessible in digital formats is an important – and often expensive – responsibility for libraries. The Marmot Digital Archive represents a unique opportunity for libraries to combine and leverage their digital collections by working together. This session will present different digital collections from five public and academic libraries, including highlighting the customized interfaces developed for each collection. Sharing the experience of working together and learning from each other to create a vibrant and rapidly growing digital repository with contributions from across Colorado demonstrates the value of collaborative digital archive projects.

## Travel through Time: Foster Critical Thinking with Historic Digital Maps

Track: Instruction • Canyon Maple B  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenters: Sharon Metzger-Galloway, Cappi Castro

Participate in a model analysis of a map that can be easily replicated in any K-12 classroom. Participants will explore this student-centered, collaborative activity with differentiation opportunities. Learners will demonstrate critical thinking based on observation, close reading, identifying evidence, and peer-to-peer interaction.

## The Next 100 Big Things: A Collaborative Trendspotting Session

Track: 21st Century • Canyon Maple C  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenters: Logan Macdonald, Shannon Smith

Do you want to feel ahead of the curve when it comes to ideas, technology, trends or pop culture? Join a fast-paced, collaborative brainstorming session inspired by IDEO.org's The Field Guide to Human-Centered Design. We'll work together to come up with a comprehensive list of the next big things, ideas, and interests our customers will be talking about. Let's get trendspotting!



## Finding the Funding

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenter: Tammy Sayles

Do you want to expand your programming and don't have the budget for it? Do you panic at the thought of having to write a grant? Do you want to learn more about where to find grants and how to write them? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this is the workshop for you. Participants will receive an overview of the grants process. They will also leave with a list of resources to locate funding opportunities in every MPLA state. This workshop is geared towards small libraries, with limited resources and experience in grant writing.

## How to Nail the Interview and Become a Top Candidate

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenters: Ally Garcia, Bud Hunt

Let's face it, paraprofessional and entry level librarian jobs are hard to get; attendees will be better equipped to succeed at interviews after this session. Not all libraries have HR departments scanning through applications, so learn practical tips from a Public Services Manager on what a quick scan of your resume and cover letter should convey and how to prepare and present yourself for a memorable interview. This session will be practical, involve modeling, and will be geared toward small and medium sized libraries where Human Resources and placement tests are not part of the hiring process. Attendees are encouraged to bring a cover letter and resume for peer and presenter review.

## Oh! It's Not Just Our State - Top Legislative Priorities in the MPLA Region

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenter: Elena Rosenfeld

There are a variety of issues that impact libraries throughout the 12 MPLA states. Hear a bit about the political climate in each state, what's happening, and discuss how we can help each other succeed. While some attempts to change state laws stay local, many start traveling to other states. By actively sharing what is happening, we are better prepared to act.

## Robots, Robots Everywhere!

Track: Maker • Aspen Daisy  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenter: Antonia Krupicka-Smith

Have you been wanting to try robotics at your library but don't know where to start? Do you work with a limited budget and wonder how robotics can work with your funding? Do you or your staff feel untrained to host a robotics program? Then this workshop is for you! In this interactive session learn tips and tricks for funding and hosting robotics programs. Also learn how to empower your staff to use robots without hesitation with all ages of your library population. Leave feeling ready to start robotics at your library!

## Budgeting: It's Not as Boring as You Think

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenters: Ron Miller, Nan Fischer

Preparing a budget is not why you became a Librarian. However, knowing how to do a budget is critical to your success. This session will cover the basic budget process from the perspectives of a City Agency Library as well as an Independent Library District. The main areas are: Revenue Projections – How well does your crystal ball work?; Base Budget – 2 ways to approach this; Strategic Budget – These are the dollars that move the needles; How does all of this affect you?; How is the budget organized? – Chart fields; Who can spend the money? – Delegation of Authority; Where does my budget fit in?; What am I in charge of?

## Grown-ups at the Library: Building a Successful Adult Library Program

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenter: Stacy McKenzie

Adults are quickly becoming an underserved population where library programs are concerned. Adults are voters and tax payers and should be considered an essential demographic to continually attract to library programs and events. Leave this presentation with new strategies to build a base of adults who come (and keep coming back) to library programs and events. Understand what adults, who are not parents or computer users, want and need from public libraries that will have them coming back for more. Marketing strategies will be presented that will target current library users to cross over to become regular program attendees.

## Are You Ready for your Close-Up?: Filming Storytimes for Television and the Web

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry  
Thursday • 12:45 p.m.

Presenters: Andrea Cleland, Liesel Schmidt, Mary Pearl, Melanie Borski-Howard, Alyx Campbell

Do you want your storytimes to reach a wider audience but can't wrap your head around the copyright laws regarding picture books and rhymes? Don't know where to start searching for a film crew? Do you want children in the audience? What if they can't sit still? Luckily, Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy, Boulder Public Library, and the Colorado State Library have done all the groundwork when they created storytime videos, and we'll gladly share the process with you!

Thursday • 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.



## Library Globetrotters: Library Experiences in Five Countries

Track: Wildcard • Canyon Maple A  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Nancy Bolt, Nebeyou Nunamo, Lisa Ann Priebe, Nancy Wood, Sue Keefer

Colorado has many "globetrotters," librarians who can share experiences in international libraries they visit or help. Four librarians will share their experiences in five countries. Nebeyou Nunamo, Ethiopia, will describe libraries in his home country and his immigrant experiences in the United States. Lisa Priebe spent the last three years in Whitehaven, Cumbria, England and will present a travelogue of rural libraries. Nancy Wood will describe the challenges, obstacles, and opportunities in building the first public library in Liberia. Sue Keefer will share her experiences in Nicaragua on the recent CAL tour. Enjoy an international experience!



## HTML High Five! Coding Education in Your Library

Track: Instruction • Canyon Maple B  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Nick Taylor, Nate Stone, Carrie Jost, Kathy Lane, Kelly Smith

Coding is fast becoming a skill set that is in increasing demand by the job market and society in general. Much like libraries have filled the gap in basic tech education for Baby Boomers, libraries can close the gap in coding education for current and future generations. Come hear about youth and adult coding education initiatives at Arapahoe Libraries, Boulder Public Library, and Denver Public Library; get some useful tips on finding people to teach coding; and walk away with resources to help your patrons (and yourself!) start learning.



## A Crash Course in Design Thinking

Track: 21st Century • Canyon Maple C  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Laurie Kubitz-Maness, Annie Kemmerling

Maybe you have heard about Design Thinking: the tool that designers use to identify and solve problems and find innovative solutions? This crash course is an opportunity for you to learn about the methodology of Design Thinking and participate in a full design cycle. This is a fast-paced project where participants pair up to interview each other, identify real needs, and develop a solution to "redesign the library checkout experience" for their partner. NO PREVIOUS DESIGN EXPERIENCE REQUIRED. We will also discuss some possibilities of how this might apply to different areas in the library.

## The Good, The Bad & The Ugly: Applauding Successes and Supporting Frustrations

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Casey Lansinger, Andrea Reveley

We've all been there: you bring an epic idea to fruition only to sit back and watch it crash and burn. We ask ourselves, what went wrong? What could we have done differently? Then again, when we hit the nail on the head and watch a small idea revolutionize our services, we want to share our successes with the (library) world. We invite you to share your stories about what worked and what didn't this year at your library. Come ready to brag about your triumphs and receive advice about ideas that didn't quite take off.

## Weld County on the Web: A Library and Museum Partnership

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Sarah Saxe, Jamie Lowen, Katie Ross

City of Greeley Museums and High Plains Library District are in the home stretch of a 3 year, IMLS funded project entitled Weld on the Web! (WOW!); designed to catalog, rehouse, digitize, and create online access to the Museums' Weld County Image Collection. Upon completion, WOW! will provide digital access to over 7,000 historically important photographs of people, places, and events in Weld County (Colorado) circa 1870 - 1950. In this session, panelists will discuss the challenges and successes experienced by project participants, and will explore how similar collaborations might prove a worthy undertaking for other institutions.



## **We Double-Dog Dare You: Stop Being Dull! Deploy Creative Recruiting**

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Jim Duncan, Andrea Pettegrew

We're all used to seeing boring job ads. But, recruiting and hiring doesn't have to be so onerous. CLiC has moved away from "the way it's always been" towards hiring practices that are (surprisingly) really fun. We want to share our record-setting, secret techniques that you can immediately implement in the practices you already have. You'll walk away with the confidence to enhance the way you recruit so you can entice and hire the best and brightest.

## **STEAMWorks: Interactive Low Cost Drop-in Programming for the Whole Family**

Track: Maker • Aspen Daisy  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Dodie Ownes, Kate Sunderland, Sue Klinke, Laura Baldassari-Hackstaff

In 2016, Douglas County Libraries in Highlands Ranch, James H. LaRue branch, implemented a monthly program focusing on STEAM topics, ranging from animal habitats to robots. The four person cross-departmental team planned and conducted the year-long program with a minimum of expense, partly by using existing resources and in part through collaboration with organizations such as Douglas County Open Space and the Colorado Agricultural Foundation. Drop-in attendance ranged from 60-95 visitors for each one-hour session. The team will share planning and outreach tips that will allow your library to jump on the STEAM train!

## **Bridging the Digital Divide**

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Christopher Schipper, Kimberly Lowe

San Juan College (SJC) is located in New Mexico, near the Four Corners. Being proximate to the Navajo and other reservations, our library serves a demographic that is rural, geographically isolated, and low income. Despite a significant digital divide, campus course offerings and our own collection have increasingly become tech reliant. In an effort to facilitate access to resources, and to better serve our students, our library has piloted a new program: students can now check out Wi-Fi hotspots and take the internet wherever they need. Join us as we discuss our learning curve in implementing this program.

## **Who Needs Us? Meeting the Community Needs Where They Are Through Outreach and Programming**

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Terry Zarsky, Melanie Wehrle, Deborah Hamilton, Heidi Buljung, Tammy Sayles

Who needs us? Why do they need us? How can we help? Older adults, patrons with legal needs, nonprofits, patrons experiencing homelessness, and businesses are just a few groups who can benefit from library resources and services. These groups can be underserved, underfunded and often ignored by the library community. Hear from five outreach and programming librarians who meet the needs of these unique groups both inside, and outside the library walls. Attendees will leave with ideas and tools that they can customize and use in their libraries.

## **STAR Library Education Network - Take Advantage of your Local Connection!**

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry  
Thursday • 2:00 p.m.

Presenters: Anne Holland, Keliann LaConte

The STAR Library Education Network is a nationwide program funded by the NSF, NASA, and IMLS, bringing high quality exhibits, professional development and activities to libraries across the country. STAR\_Net is based at the Space Science Institute in Boulder, CO. Learn about upcoming webinars, exhibit, prototyping and other opportunities for the local Colorado audience, and experience some of our new hands-on activities first-hand! Also be the first to hear about our exciting plans for Eclipse 2017!

Thursday • 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.



## **Let's Discover Colorado Together**

Track: Wildcard • Canyon Maple A  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenters: Beth Oehlerts, Yongli Zhou

Colorado has a new online encyclopedia! The Colorado Encyclopedia is designed for educators, students, and all interested people, with interactive learning activities for students of all ages and scholarly reviewed articles written for fourth, eighth, and tenth-grade reading levels. We will give attendees a tour of the Encyclopedia, highlighting its various sections, the people, places and events that give users an in-depth understanding of the state of Colorado's development. The Encyclopedia encourages contributors, and we will talk about the ways you can contribute. We will solicit questions about the Encyclopedia and ideas for making it better.





## Academic Libraries Lowering the Cost of Education - One Textbook at a Time!

Track: Instruction • Canyon Maple B  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenters: Dan Chaney, Anali Perry

With students increasingly buried under crushing debt for their college education, open educational resources (OER) attempt to lower their costs by using free, openly licensed alternatives. Many academic libraries nationally are encouraging faculty to ditch the expensive textbooks and incentivizing the adoption of OER in the classroom, or offering Massively Open Online Courses (MOOCs) to increase access to education to all. This program will offer attendees an overview of OER, how libraries can encourage faculty to adopt OER, and discuss programs in place at the libraries of Oklahoma State University and Arizona State University.

## MMORPGs: Massively Multi-reader Offline Reading Program Groups

Track: 21st Century • Canyon Maple C  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenter: Whitney Walker

Have traditional book clubs run their course at your school or library? Are your students/patrons uninspired by a group that is like another literature class? Central Reads is our answer to that problem. Central Reads was created as a partnership between High Plains Library District and the Greeley Central High School library to change the fact that many students had reached high school without ever having read an entire book. The mission of Central Reads is simple. We want to turn as many students as possible into life-long readers by having a massive book club with up to 50 participants. We want to share our successes and setbacks so that other public and school libraries can design their own Central Reads, whatever that might look like.

## I'd Rather be Working: How to Plan a Staff Day that Works for Staff

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenters: Molly Thompson, Holly Fritz

Just like the holidays, staff development days conjure up the idea of relaxation, a break from the routine, and a time to connect. And similar to the holidays, reality sets in and there are monetary concerns, lasagna that gets cold, and people who would rather be working than doing yoga with their co-workers. Holly Fritz and Molly Thompson, veteran staff planners will share with you their Staff Day lowlights, highlights, and tricks and tips of how to get staff to enjoy the day. If you have participated in a staff day, we would like to hear from you as well.

## Strategic Alliances: When Community and Institutional Library Partnerships Become A Big Deal

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenter: Pat Wagner

Library partnerships can be as simple as the public library sharing a booth with the school district at a county fair or UX librarians from academic and special libraries creating joint Ignite sessions for a national conference. But sometimes more structure is required, such as when potential partners need to document shared long-range goals, budgets, staff, and facilities. We'll take you through the steps for creating a joint written plan or agreement for important collaborations, whether for a project or an event, for sharing technology and collections, or when creating a hybrid organization, such as a public/college library.



## Library Assessment Through Storytelling

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenters: Valerie Nye, Annie Epperson, Samantha Rich

Librarians from three institutions will share information about assessment projects using qualitative methods and storytelling as a primary focus. The presenter from University of Northern Colorado will share a story about a library video confessional booth that allowed students to speak candidly about their library experiences. New Mexico State University librarians collaborated with graduate-level business students to assess implications of their library's budget crises and to more effectively demonstrate the library's value to broader communities through storytelling. The Institute of American Indian Arts created a framework for indigenous assessment as a methodology for collecting stories to assess programs and services.

## Measuring Your True Impact: Getting Started with Outcome-Based Evaluation

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenters: Rochelle Logan, Linda Hofschire

Your library offers a lot of great programs, but how can you determine what effects these have on your users? In this session, you'll learn practical tips for getting started with outcome-based evaluation. You will gain a deeper understanding of a) what outcomes are and how they work in conjunction with inputs and outputs to provide meaningful information about your library's impact on your community; b) how to measure them (including an overview of free or low-cost outcome survey tools; and c) how outcome-based evaluation results can be used for management, strategic planning, and demonstrating the value of your library programs.



## **Successful Outreach to the Latino Community...with a Little Help From Our Latino Friends**

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenters: Robert Shupe, Sherrie Mortensen

MUCH success has been achieved by the Logan Public Library (Logan, Utah) in connecting with the local Latino community through the forming of and work by its Latino Advisory Council. Come and be inspired by the Latino members themselves as they share their success stories and offer energy and ideas of how their efforts might be duplicated in your town!

## **Storytime Engagement: The Fun Stuff**

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry  
Thursday • 3:15 p.m.

Presenters: Kathy Barco, Melanie Borski-Howard, Jeniece Trueman

Make-shift maracas and guitars. Balloons and pancakes. Purchased and home-made props. How can these items enhance Every Child Ready to Read not just in the library but at home? Three presenters share their successful methods for bringing variety and excitement to storytimes. This triple-treat showcase features literacy-building techniques that can be used by librarians and teachers, as well as parents, grandparents and caregivers. The topics are: Feeding the Soul in Storytime - Using Musical Instruments; Literacy Doodads - Not Just Magnet Letters on the Fridge Anymore!; and The Prop Box, followed by discussion. A handout of resources will be provided.

Friday • 9:45 - 10:45 a.m.

## **If You Are a Supervisor, You are a Trainer**

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland  
Friday • 9:45 a.m.

Presenter: Pat Wagner

Because most learning in a library workplace happens on the job, it falls on the shoulders of supervisors to support employee success at all levels: inspiring, coaching, explaining, and coordinating. Supervisors are the ones who reinforce formal training sessions, from mastering new technology to improving interactions with co-workers and library users. Do you know how to use adult education principles to teach effectively on the job, to help colleagues adjust to the rapid changes in library workplaces, and to help them teach others as well? For supervisors and managers who want to elicit the best from employees.

## **Done with Dewey! Convert Your Library Now - I'll Show You How**

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Friday • 9:45 a.m.

Presenter: Beatrice Gerrish, M.L.I.S., M.Ed.

Done with Dewey? Looking for a "bookstore" model upon which to build? Want to increase library circulation numbers? Convert to a more student-friendly approach for organizing your library - the Monarch Method. Tired of watching student's frustrated browsing in my Dewey based library, I spent three years making changes and gathering feedback from students, teachers and parents, to create a browsing experience for my high school students which is more intuitive - like shopping for books on Amazon.com. I never closed my library to students because I wanted to base my changes on what I was learning from them daily, and I've seen my circulation numbers double. Having finished my library conversion, I can show you how to convert your library in as little as a year- the only cost is purchasing colored labels. We've done all the leg work and are passing on what we've learned, so you can implement as little or as much as you want.

## **Weeding Without Tears: Don't Let Collection Weeding Become a Public Relations Nightmare**

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Friday • 9:45 a.m.

Presenter: Mickey Coalwell

Weeding the library collection is a challenge faced by every library. Outdated, unused and unpopular materials need to be removed from the collection to make room for new materials. But the public's misunderstanding of this key responsibility of librarians can lead to PR nightmares such as the one faced by Chattanooga Public Library in 2014. This session will propose effective weeding policies, the importance of clear, written weeding criteria, and an Inventory Management approach to collection weeding. Strategies proposed include regular, year-round, transparent weeding programs, tiered staff and volunteer weeding practices, and board and volunteer training. The discussion will focus on: 1) Data-driven weeding strategies. 2) Policy support for professional weeding. 3) Education and training for staff, board & volunteers. 4) How to overcome staff barriers to weeding. 5) How to communicate openly and inclusively about weeding. 6) Preemptive strategies to minimize adverse publicity. 7) Managing bad press and hostile attacks when they occur.

## **Welding, Woodworking, and Weaving at the Library: Why Risk Matters**

Track: Maker • Aspen Daisy

Friday • 9:45 a.m.

Presenters: Janet Hollingsworth, Adam Watts

The Maker Movement and hands-on approach to learning is gaining momentum within informal learning platforms across the country. Given this climate, Boulder Public Library took on the challenge of creating a comprehensive makerspace – equipped with table saw, CNC machine, laser cutter, pottery wheels, textile equipment, screen printing, and more, to offer all-ages programming to patrons at no cost. The result upon opening the space was an overwhelming surge of community interest, support, and waiting lists in the double digits. We would like to discuss the risks involved in creating BLDG 61: Boulder Library Makerspace.



## **Collection Analysis Empowered through Innovation and Collaboration**

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow

Friday • 9:45 a.m.

Presenter: Rose Nelson

Our consortium recently embarked on a Shared Print Initiative to collaborate on storage of print and in deselection. Commercial Collection Analysis software, which was imperative to our project, was quite expensive and didn't have all the features we needed so we decided to develop our own software tool. We will discuss the software we developed and how we have exported data from local III catalogs in our consortium as well as other integrated systems to build the tool and determine unique and overlapping content among our libraries. We now license this software to all libraries. Academic, Public come learn more!



## **Y is for Yoga: Movement and Mindfulness in Libraries**

Track: Programming • Snowberry

Friday • 9:45 a.m.

Presenter: Andrea Cleland

More and more often, stories about schools trying yoga and mindfulness during the school day appear in newspapers and online. Institutions that have tried these tactics are reporting higher test scores and less violence/behavior issues. As librarians we can also jump on board the movement and mindfulness train, whether it be in storytime, in after school events, or in teen programming! Learn why, in education and in life, we need both to move and to be still.



## **Creating Graphic Novels with Teens in Your Library (With or Without a Budget)**

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry

Friday • 9:45 a.m.

Presenter: Thane Benson

Learn how to run a graphic novel workshop with teens and then take the product from that workshop and publish it and add it to your library's collection. We will describe how this was done at Denver Public Library with no budget whatsoever and how it became our best attended teen program of the year.

Friday • 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

## **Lightning Round**

Track: Leadership • Big Thompson

Friday • 11:15 a.m.

Presenters: Various

Expect some fast-paced fun! Speakers have 4 minutes to present their brilliance to their colleagues. Come be energized, inspired and astounded!

## **A Balancing Act: Library and School Partnerships**

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson

Friday • 11:15 a.m.

Presenters: Brittany Dolezal, Christy Swafford, Jen Maley, Sheila Bowman

Library and schools partnerships are tricky. Sometimes they don't always feel like partnerships. Hear about how to manage effective partnerships and ask a School Media Specialist, Public Librarian, and various Technology instructors questions. Hear varied perspectives on how one community has built a strong, mutual partnership around shared resources, space, and innovative thinking with the common goal of empowering the community's youth to succeed. Each panelist will speak about their experiences collaborating, challenges, successes, and what such partnerships mean for their organizations and professional activities.



## Secrets to Success for Fundraising, Marketing and Outreach Combined

Track: Community • Carter Lake

Friday • 11:15 a.m.

Presenters: Jacqueline Murphy, Rochelle Mitchell Miller, Ally Godina, Kelli Johnson

Connecting one's foundation or donation development work with the primary focus and function of the library can be challenging. We'll share how a library's foundation/friends and marketing can intentionally connect the library's development of donors and patrons with programming and fundraising, using models such as "Writer in Residence" programs and other events. We'll share the "secrets" of what makes a successful partnership amongst foundation, marketing and outreach staff, and why this symbiotic relationship is essential to the long-term success of any library.

## Copyright Law and Libraries: What's New and Notable

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow

Friday • 11:15 a.m.

Presenter: Carla Myers

This session will explore current trends and issues in the law as well as lawsuits and legislative revisions that have the potential to impact libraries.

## A Librarian Walks Into a Bar....

Track: Programming • Snowberry

Friday • 11:15 a.m.

Presenter: Jake Rundle

One of the places that the fabled Millennials gather is the local watering hole. One of the best ways to engage with them and promote the library is to go there and do stuff with them. The Hastings Public Library has been doing a monthly Pub Quiz since 2010. It not only outperforms all adult programming in the library, but it also allows people to see librarians and library materials in a whole new context.

## Consciously Connecting Library Programing to Your Gifted and Talented Patrons

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry

Friday • 11:15 a.m.

Presenters: Marla Caviness-French, Leanne Cook, Shelley Goerd

Libraries have been the refuge and safe havens for gifted and talented patrons for hundreds of years. Librarians love purchasing materials for avid readers who devour books. However, do you really know the "characteristics" of a gifted: child; teen, or an adult? Why do some of your programs soar and some sink? Are your programs tapping into the "needs" of the gifted? How would you know if you are or are not meeting their needs? Bring some examples and be ready to analyze your programs in order to find out how to consciously connect your programming to your gifted patrons.

Friday • 2:15 - 3:15 p.m.

## When Silence Isn't Golden: How Speaking Up Makes a Difference

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland

Friday • 2:15 p.m.

Presenters: Elena Rosenfeld, David Sanger

In the library world, we often rely on actions rather than words to demonstrate our strengths. Words, however, are our best tools when it comes to sharing how libraries are key to supporting a creative and engaged society. Learn ways to talk to decision-makers and community influencers about how libraries are a best use of their dollars.

## Choose Your Own Adventure (Building & Renovating Libraries)

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson

Friday • 2:15 p.m.

Presenters: Aspen Walker, Bob Pasicznyuk, Amy Long, Susan Byrne

Douglas County Libraries just completed a new strategic plan and a multi-year quest to design three new libraries that reflect their communities' aspirations. DCL is also undertaking renovations at its legacy libraries to integrate its strategic goals into all its spaces. A few big ideas inform the enterprise along the way, including a "choose your own adventure" approach to designing premium, personal experiences that celebrate learning across all life's stages, while honoring patrons' desires for both collaborative connection and quiet contemplation. Learn more about DCL's journey, while brainstorming big ideas you can launch locally to set your course for adventure.

## Reading your Community: Human/ Living Libraries Promote Understanding, Interaction

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Friday • 2:15 p.m.

Presenters: Anne Hedrich, Liesl Seborg

Human/Living Libraries expand the traditional boundaries of libraries because the “books” are real people and the “check-out” is a conversation. Patrons interact with people in their community who may be very different from themselves. They discuss topics and issues about which they may be curious and would not otherwise get a chance to explore and understand. This session will explain the Human, or Living, Library and how this “library” is delivered in two different libraries, one public and one academic. Presenters will provide tips and suggestions for implementation, as well as explore what constitutes success in this kind of event.

## Children & Makerspaces

Track: Maker • Aspen Daisy  
Friday • 2:15 p.m.

Presenters: Carol Scheer, Barbara Huff

While library makerspaces are a current trend, many times children are excluded from their use. How can we embrace the maker movement, technology, and STEM with younger patrons? How do we incorporate elements of this movement in simple steps with limited funding? This presentation will challenge you to bring creativity, innovation, and invention to your Children's and Teen areas on a budget. You will receive ideas and strategies to use both in your library and on outreaches.

## Small Library, Big Heart: Supporting Tiny but Vital Collections

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Friday • 2:15 p.m.

Presenter: Megan Kinney

The Mesa County Jail has a small circulating collection for its inmates. The books are donations and the library has no funding. Thus, the volunteer coordinator was thrilled when an experienced librarian approached him with an offer to organize it and make it more accessible to the inmates. From cataloging each item and organizing the shelves, to documenting step-by-step instructions for volunteers, this has been a rewarding project. While this presentation will examine specific challenges and constraints in a jail library, it is also relevant to anyone acting as a solo librarian in a small library with few resources.

## Creative Arts Programs for Baby Boomers

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Friday • 2:15 p.m.

Presenter: Melanie Wehrle

With the last of the Baby Boomer generation approaching retirement, the demand for programming targeting older adults is growing fast. As we are living longer, active older adults are looking for meaningful ways to use their time as they start to wind down their work lives. They are seeking out new experiences and rediscovering their creative sides. I will share my experience successfully planning and hosting programs for older adults including multisession fine arts classes through the Creative Aging in America's Libraries program. Come discover how your library can expand the variety of programs offered to your older adult community.

## Autonomy, Art and Awesomeness

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry  
Friday • 2:15 p.m.

Presenters: Deb Kauffman, Kristen Bodine

Libraries are one of the rare places where children can freely engage in an activity without having to compete with others or be assessed in some way. There are no curriculum standards that we must meet so we have the opportunity to let children practice being self-directed and creative in the programs we offer. In this session, we will talk about the important skills children can learn through open-ended arts, crafts and STEM programs. You will leave with examples of inexpensive classes that foster creativity and fun for youth in your community.

Friday • 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

## Lightning Round

Track: Leadership • Big Thompson  
Friday • 11:15 a.m.

Presenters: Various

Expect some fast-paced fun! Speakers have 4 minutes to present their brilliance to their colleagues. Come be energized, inspired and astounded!



## Record-Setting Results: Creating a Culture of Accountability to Ensure Long-Term Success

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Friday • 3:45 p.m.

Presenters: David Hayden, Jon Walker, Sara Rose, Jeff McMullin

You will learn in this panel presentation how the Pueblo City-County Library District (PCCLD) developed a work culture of accountability and effective goal setting to overcome a modest one percent growth in service-area population to successfully drive record-breaking increases in the number of circulation, library visitors, program attendance, and digital use over a five-year period. The presenting panel includes experts in accountability and change, human resources, data analysis, and public libraries.

## Reader's Advisory for the "Third Act"

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Friday • 3:45 p.m.

Presenters: Karen Andrews, Dodie Ownes, Amy Hall

Dubbed by Jane Fonda as our "Third Act", the 34 years we live beyond the lifespan of our great grandparents can be seen as a developmental stage of life marked by wisdom and happiness. It also can be filled with mental and physical challenges as the body ages. Reader's advisory services for those in the "third act" can include everything from daytime book clubs to memory cafes designed to give patrons with Alzheimer's a safe place to share their experiences. Consideration must be given not only to content but to format as well – without making assumptions based on age.

## GovDocs Today: Not your Grandma's Ravioli

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Friday • 3:45 p.m.

Presenter: Vickie Mix

A pinch of this, a drop of that, a tad and a smidgen combine to create a sweet and savory docs soup in the information world. Government Documents no longer frost the traditional information cake with swirls of technical gumbo. Instead, Federal and State governments increasingly sate the public's appetite with innovative, engaging "dishes" served from traditional and not so traditional "eateries". Come Mix it up with Chef Vickie as we explore tasty information delights crafted in the Docs Information Kitchen.

## Serving People with Memory Loss - The Memory Cafe Program and Best Practices

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Friday • 3:45 p.m.

Presenters: Amy DelPo, Kera Magarill

With more 65,000 Coloradans living with Alzheimer's disease today – and with one out of three Colorado seniors projected to get some form of dementia within their lifetime -- librarians need to learn how best to serve people with memory loss and to create programs specific to this growing and needful population. Amy DelPo, a reference librarian at Denver Public Library, and Kera Magarill, the early stage program coordinator for the Alzheimer's Association, have teamed up to train librarians about serving people with memory loss and to create the first Memory Cafe program at a Colorado library.



## Engage, Create, Innovate! Outdoor Activities that Build Early Literacy and Community Summer at the Library

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry  
Friday • 3:45 p.m.

Presenters: Virginia Kile, MA, ECSE, Jessica Johnson

It's time to provide summer literacy experiences for children that go beyond stickers as the reward. Receive templates and activity ideas for building engaging outdoor programming. We build community, model early literacy skills, cement a love for the library, and provide EXPERIENCES based on every child's personal developmental stage. Experiences are built from books that are read inside the library then brought to life outdoors. These experiences are new and exciting to children while building gross motor, fine motor, cognitive, language and social-emotional skills. It's okay to change story time format during summer. The result is increased community engagement!

## Days of Future Past: Wild Colorado App Connects Past, Present, and Future of Libraries

Mountain Holly Room  
Friday • 3:45 p.m.

Joseph Sanchez

Wild Colorado is a mobile app from Mesa County Public Libraries freely available to anyone across the state of Colorado. On the surface, it is a 21st Century wildlife field guide filled with photos from Colorado photographers and data from Colorado Parks and Wildlife. At its heart it represents a radical transformation of library services, perception, and outreach. It integrates with social media like Facebook and Twitter, and tells users what animals they can expect to see around them. Learn about the ups and downs, failures and successes of this unique library initiative.

Saturday • 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

## Library Ethics for Everyone

Track: Wildcard • Canyon Maple A  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenter: Pat Wagner

Library employees, managers, and leaders can be so distracted by big issues that they can ignore the important details of everyday library ethics. How are the people who work for you and with you treated on a day-to-day basis? How do you conduct yourself in public meetings? Do your words and deeds reflect virtues like compassion, integrity, benevolence, and courage? What are the ethical principles of your profession, trade, institution, or community that guide you?

## Turning Them Loose: Increasing Student Engagement Through Literacy Activities

Track: Instruction • Canyon Maple B  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenter: Eileen Wright

Join me as I present aspects from MSU Billings 3-credit information literacy course, Information in the Research Age. In this workshop, colleagues will engage in lively discussions about effective modes of instruction, and how have the new ACRL standards changed the teaching style in the classroom? Participants will explore new ways to interact with their students to further the understanding of information literacy standards. They will participate and engage with classroom activities that I conduct in my classroom. Colleagues will take away specific hands-on class activities that they can manipulate to use within their own classroom settings.



## Integrating Coding into Content Areas

Track: Trendy/Hot Topic • Canyon Maple C  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenters: Linda Conway, Sharon Combs

This session will provide a hands on experience to demonstrate ways that computer science can be integrated into content areas. This gives students the advantage of learning critical thinking, logic, and problem solving while learning their content in a fun and engaging way. Robots will be used to teach basic programming.

## Creating Lit Kits for the Elementary Library

Track: Childrens\Teens • Lake Loveland  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenters: Sharon Metzger-Galloway, Jenny Aker

Librarians can create a series of mini-lessons that combine primary source analysis, links to literature and an application activity. These lessons will help students build their critical thinking skills with close reading, making inferences and synthesizing their findings. We will model the professional development sessions we developed for elementary para-librarians, the kits we created and discuss the outcomes we experienced. Participants will receive links to the teacher's guide and resources used.

## Critical Classroom Connections: Bridging the Gap Between the Library and the Lecture Hall

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenter: Sheena Kelly

School librarians are perfectly positioned to ensure students are able to develop the 21st century learning skills essential to today's learning ecology. But school libraries struggle to create meaningful collaborations with teachers and students. The vast and varied responsibilities of classroom teachers often leave teacher librarians fighting to advocate for library and information literacy skill development. This program session will provide practical strategies and suggestions for connecting with classroom teachers and students. Bring your device, your ideas, and your creativity for this interactive program!

## On the Edge: Demonstrating Talent and Technology Through Dynamic Displays

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenters: Galina Derevyanko, Winnie Dubois, Cody Robinson

Tired of 'same old' displays that leave your patrons disengaged? Want to give your staff interesting projects? Need to train your staff on the newest technology trends? Why not combine it all? Frontline staff at Castlewood Concept Library decided that limited space doesn't have to mean limited displays! They invented a new kind of monthly display, utilizing various beta-technology tools available at the Makerspace in combination with ancient crafts, and created videos to promote displays on social media. Learn how to inspire your staff to learn new technology, harness their passion to create innovative displays and sell your vision to management.



## What is a MakerSpace and Do I Need One?

Track: Maker • Aspen Daisy  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenters: Marci Milius, Linda Conway

Have you heard the term MakerSpace and wondered what it meant? How do I develop a MakerSpace in my classroom, library, and school? What do I put in a MakerSpace? How does a MakerSpace support learning? How much does it cost to develop a MakerSpace? Spend a few hours and you will learn how a MakerSpace can engage your students for the “best day of school ever”! We will discuss the supplies needed, types of MakerSpaces, space requirements, the educational purposes of a MakerSpace, how to get materials for free, and where to get “stuff” for the MakerSpace.

## Great Returns from a Social Work Intern

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenters: Jean Bosch, Brendan Haggerty, Johanna Ulloa, Susan Tungate

Many library patrons frequently need access to information about community support services and often just someone to listen to their issues and concerns. However, staff often lacks resources, expertise, and time to participate fully as a community partner to connect these vulnerable individuals with effective assistance to foster greater physical and mental health, independence, and reduced homelessness among other social and economic challenges. Poudre River Libraries and Colorado State University have partnered to place a first-year MSW student intern in the library to address these challenges and achieve a greater community understanding of poverty and homelessness.

## Adult Services: Stranger Than Fiction

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenters: Katharine J Phenix, Laurie Spurling

Are you creatively stranded on Mars? Is your customer service feeling more dystopian as the days go by? Join the Adult Services Interest Group (ASIG) for an informative and engaging discussion about useful resources to call on to spark professional growth and enhance your service delivery to adults. You are not alone out there. Let's help each other. Together, the White Walkers don't stand a chance!

## Creating a Successful School District Digital Library

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry  
Saturday • 8:00 a.m.

Presenters: Holli Buchter, Phil Goerner, LeAnne Kelly

St. Vrain Valley School District will share the success of digital books for pleasure reading as well as curriculum support. The attendee will know the selection process for both sides, marketing strategies, statistical data, and be able to hear the perspective of panel participants including the digital library selection committee members, students, teachers and other stakeholders.

Saturday • 10:45 - 11:45 a.m.

## Bridging the Justice Gap: Legal Resources for Pro Se Patrons

Track: Wildcard • Canyon Maple A  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Deborah Hamilton

Many who qualify for civil legal aid are not receiving help due to a lack of funding and attorneys, thus increasing the number of people representing themselves in court. Approximately more than 50 percent of all civil litigants and nearly 76 percent of people in domestic relations cases are self-represented. Often these people are unprepared for this challenge and have difficulty navigating the justice system. Participants will learn about civil legal aid programs; how to connect pro se patrons with services; how to access free primary law sources; and how to navigate the state court websites to obtain legal forms.

## Primary Sources and Standards for the 21st-Century Learner

Track: Instruction • Canyon Maple B  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Cappi Castro, Sherrie Galloway

Experience primary source analysis, become an engaged learner, and build your critical thinking skills! This session will give participants a hands-on experience with the compelling primary source analysis process. You will leave with lessons that you can take back to your school and use tomorrow! Both “no-tech” and “tech-integrated” options will be covered as well as suggestions to get classroom teachers to collaborate with you! I will also highlight the vast collections of the Library of Congress created especially for the classroom teacher as well as 21st Century and Common Core standards addressed with these activities.

## **MPLA ePortfolios for Professional Development: No Librarian Should Leave Home Without One**

Track: Trendy/Hot Topic • Canyon Maple C  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenters: Kris Johnson, Holly Rick, Ryan Buller, Brian Greene

Has this ever happened to you? You have a job interview, the interviewer asks for examples of your work, you can talk about them, but not show them!? ePortfolios to the rescue. Creating an ePortfolio can be one of the best resources to help showcase your work and help build your professional identity. Members of the MPLA Professional Development committee will discuss the what's and why's of ePortfolios, providing examples in Weebly.com, Wix.com, and WordPress and showcasing tools for easy creation and maintenance.

## **Play to Your Strengths**

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenters: Suzanne McGowan, Elizabeth Kelsen-Huber

Play to your strengths is often recommended, but it is easier said than done. Leveraging your strengths is a positive, rewarding way to work. Yet, how can you develop your strengths if you don't know them? Learn about the thirty-four traits identified by the Clifton StrengthsFinder online assessment. Hear how this tool can be used for individual personal growth and development, to coach and mentor others, and to create dynamic, balanced teams.

## **Transitioning Technical Services: How Libraries are Reorganizing their Cataloging Departments**

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Nicole Sump-Crethar

This session will explore trends in technical services reorganization throughout the country and take a look at how the Oklahoma State University Library cataloging department has transitioned to becoming part of a new department called Digital Resources and Discovery Services. Transitioning to this new, merged department involved coordinating new and existing services and finding new roles for personnel. Training, empowerment and self-discovery for staff and faculty required flexibility and willingness to re-order and change priorities by everyone involved. The process has been demanding and exciting at times. Learn what works, what doesn't and what might be worth trying.

## **Aspen Report: Learn About the Action Guide for Use in Your Community**

Track: Community • Carter Lake  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenters: Claudine Perrault, Pam Smith, Sharon Morris, Jacqueline Murphy

The Aspen Report examined the evolving roles of public libraries within their communities and how libraries can leverage three key assets "people, places, and platform" in order to move forward. Attendees will receive an overview of the recently released Aspen Report: Action Guide. Led by Pam Smith, Director of Anythink Libraries and member of the Aspen Institute Dialogue group, and CSL Library Development Director Sharon Morris, this program introduces the Guide, and reviews a toolkit of resources for library leaders to use in their communities.

## **Makerspaces in the School Library**

Track: Maker • Aspen Daisy  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Tiah Frankish

It can be a challenge when budgets are tight and seat time is critical to justify a new program. It can be a challenge when your time is split between schools and you have a limited amount of time and resources. But the Makerspace movement is gaining momentum as a valid avenue for Personalized Learning and Extended Learning Opportunities. Learn how to fit a Makerspace into your school's vision for student achievement. Participants will take away cost efficient ideas, time and space ideas, and a template for a plan that will get the ball rolling for a Makerspace at any level K-12.

## **One Search to Rule Them All: Customizing Discovery for Community Needs**

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenters: Jordan Fields, Mark Noble

One search in the library catalog returns relevant books, ebooks, music, movies, magazines, journal articles, historic photos, local cultural artifacts and more. Sound like fiction? Come see how several Colorado libraries have implemented cutting-edge discovery and learn how to better engage your users in a research experience that allows them to take full advantage of all of the resources your library offers. Whether you're a public, academic, or school librarian, we'll demonstrate how this type of discovery will delight your users and discuss how open-source technology makes it all possible.



## Seducing Romance Readers

Track: Programming • Snowberry  
Saturday • 10:45 a.m.

Presenters: April K. Miller, Jackie Kropp

Librarians who are not romance readers themselves are often hesitant as to where to begin to satisfy the varying needs of this voracious group. Fear not! We are here to help librarians discover the hidden desires of romance readers. We will discuss hot trends in the romance genre, exciting romance reader's advisory tools, programming for romance readers and issues in the romance community. After this program you will walk away smiling and satisfied.

Saturday • 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

## Fast and Fit Brain Training Year Two - You Really Can Do This, Too!

Track: Wildcard • Canyon Maple A  
Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenter: Patricia Shepard Sohmer

Given the tremendous interest shown and considerable resources allocated promoting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in schools and libraries, our communities clearly embrace STEM learning opportunities. Can we go one step further by applying current neuroscience research to strengthen cognitive skills, improving literacy skills? Libraries promote all literacies, and libraries can develop a service delivery model to offer online brain exercise programs for the communities they serve. Park County Public Library has undertaken a county-wide collaborative project to improve literacy skills using neuroscience-based online products for broad accessibility across settings and ages. You really can do this, too!



## New Librarianship in Action: Applying R. David Lankes' Framework in an Academic Library

Track: Instruction • Canyon Maple B  
Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenter: Carol Smith

"To be a librarian is not to be neutral, or passive, or waiting for a question. It is to be a radical positive change agent within your community." - R. David Lankes Sound appealing? Lankes's *Atlas of New Librarianship* (2011) has kicked off a vibrant new movement in how we frame, fulfill, and communicate the mission of librarians. In this session, we'll explore major principles of the New Librarianship framework and consider how they can be applied to revitalize your academic library. Adams State University's Nielsen Library will be presented as a case study in realizing the principles of New Librarianship. Principles can be applied to all libraries.



## New News! Newspapers as a Primary Source and the Resources Available

Track: Trendy/Hot Topic • Canyon Maple C  
Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: Leigh Jeremias, Dana Plewka

Are you looking to engage students with a new primary source? The Colorado State Library is excited to show you the changes recently made to the Colorado Historic Newspapers Collection, a free online resource. Join us to see our new look and learn about our new and improved features. You will also learn from Denver Post's Educational Services & Youth Content Manager how you can efficiently and effectively use newspapers as primary sources to engage your k-12 students. Teaching with primary sources, like newspapers, gives students the opportunity to interact one on one with history; in a way that textbooks can't.

## Confidence Counts: Increase your Confidence Quotient

Track: Leadership • Lake Loveland  
Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: Christine Kreger, Georgia Birmingham

Do you hesitate to try new things? Do you ever feel like a fraud? New research suggests that confidence is a better predictor of success than actual competence, and that women struggle more with confidence than men. Join us for a lively discussion about the importance of confidence in today's world, and share your perceptions of the confidence gap in the library industry. Together, we will unravel the complexities of confidence and brainstorm specific strategies we can use to foster confidence in ourselves and in our peers.

## Together Is Better: Spanning Library Types For Patron Benefit

Track: Making Change • Big Thompson  
Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: Annie Epperson, Carol Gyger, Amy Hoseth, Elena Rosenfeld, Sarah Vaughn

Public and academic libraries in Northern Colorado are partnering to benefit patrons of both library types. In this presentation librarians from Fort Collins (Colorado State University & Poudre River Public Library District) and Greeley (University of Northern Colorado & High Plains Library District) discuss their respective collaborations, including the challenges and unexpected benefits. Digital collections, patron access issues, and expanded services will be addressed.

## Social Change Book Club: Creating a Safe Space to Discuss Community Issues

### HOT TOPIC

Track: Community • Carter Lake

Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: Hadiya Evans, James Davis, Evi Klett

Book clubs run the gamut from tea and cookies in a cozy corner to online book clubs. Look on most library websites however and you probably won't see a book club that strives to bring a community together to talk about issues affecting them. The R.A.D.A. - Read. Awareness. Dialogue. Action. - Book Club at the Denver Public Library does just that by using books, such as Michelle Alexander's *The New Jim Crow*, as a vehicle to discuss community issues and possible solutions. This program will provide highlights of the program's promotion, operation and impact, and show you how you can form a similar book club at your library.

## Beyond ILL: An Expanded View of Resource Sharing in Colorado

Track: Nuts and Bolts • Golden Glow

Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: Amy Hitchner, Logan Macdonald

What are Colorado libraries sharing in addition to books, DVDs, and CDs? What is being done statewide to support resource sharing? These are the questions that drive the Resource Sharing Task Force (RSTF), a group that meets to identify and support statewide sharing needs. In this session, members of the RSTF will discuss the group's current work and future projects, and engage the audience in a discussion about their own resource sharing activities. This session will challenge the narrow definition of resource sharing as a purely interlibrary loan activity.

## Unexpected Author Connections: The Players, The Payoff, The Plans

Track: Programming • Snowberry

Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: Ellen Fockler, Suzanne Morgan Williams, Terri Farley

Bring books to life by introducing authors in your rural and urban libraries. Authors' fresh voices create new community connections to literacy and strengthen existing ones, and appearances don't have to be complicated or expensive. Learn the magic of "piggybacking" by those who've done it many times. Ellen Fockler, retired school library coordinator and conference organizer, and Suzanne Morgan Williams, award-winning author, connect writers and illustrators to communities through networking, event planning, and school and library visits. Former secondary teacher Terri Farley writes award-winning books for young readers and revels in school and public library visits nationwide.

## Transforming Your School Library Into a Blended Library Learning Environment

Track: Childrens\Teens • Elderberry

Saturday • 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: Holli Buchter, Beckie Largeswope

This panel discussion will provide insight into the Blended Library movement among the St. Vrain Valley School District libraries. Information will be provided regarding the aciton research completed by the three school libraries involved in the pilot program.