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Colorado State Report

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The Colorado State Library and CLiC have very recently created a place for librarians to come together to share news, innovations, events, photos, and ideas. It is a joint effort and can be found at <http://www.coloradolibraries.org/>

The Colorado Libraries blog joins the Learning Research Services blog, <http://www.lrs.org/blog/> in providing more opportunities for communication and networking among librarians throughout the entire state.

The Colorado State Library (CSL), Colorado Association of Libraries (CAL), and the Colorado Library Consortium (CLiC) have joined forces and are out on summer tour together. They have scheduled eleven “Town Hall” meetings that are free and open to the public. Topics to be covered include how these organizations support the work of libraries, the future of libraries in Colorado, and the future of the library profession.

With hosts Eugene Hainer, Director of the Colorado State Library, Martin Garnar, President, Colorado Association of Libraries and Valerie Horton, Executive Director, Colorado Library Consortium, lively discussions that will produce results are greatly anticipated.

There are many opportunities for continuing education workshops during the remainder of the summer. Access LEO (<http://leo.clicweb.org/>) the Library Education Opportunities section of the CLiC website.

Although the annual conference of the Colorado Association of Libraries is still a few months away, planning is going “full steam ahead.” The conference is November 6-8 at the Marriott Denver Tech Center and the theme this year is Communities and Libraries. A big effort is being made to make this CAL’s first ever “green” conference. More information and frequent updates can be found at <http://cal-webs.org/conference.html>.