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Pueblo City-County Library District receives prestigious Star Library Award

Pueblo, Colo.—Pueblo City-County Library District has earned national recognition. The *Library Journal* awarded the district with its “Four Star Library” award. The *Library Journal* Index of Public Library Service—created to recognize and promote excellent public libraries in America—ranks Pueblo City-County Library District in the top 2.5 percent of more than 7,400 libraries across the nation. Last year, PCCLD was awarded a “Three Star Library” designation.

Eight libraries in Colorado received a star award. San Miguel Library in Telluride was awarded five stars, La Veta (like PCCLD) received four stars, and Pikes Peak Library District (El Paso County), Denver Public Library, La Junta Library, Arapahoe Library District and Ridgeway Library each received three stars.

To be a Star Library, each library is rated across five per capita measures: visits, circulation, program attendance, public computer usage and items checked out electronically. The data is reviewed and rated against peer library performance. PCCLD scored high in multiple categories.

To receive an LJ Index score, a library must have a legal service area population of at least 1,000, spend at least \$10,000 annually and report all of the data required to calculate its score. PCCLD serves a population of more than 160,000 with an annual budget range of \$5-\$9.9 million.

Library Journal is the oldest and most respected professional library publication. For more information visit: <http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2017/12/managing-libraries/lj-index/class-of-2017/americas-star-libraries-top-rated-libraries-lj-index-2017/>

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[CAL-Legislative] FW: Net neutrality protections eliminated: ALA call for action

1 message

Hainer, Gene <hainer_g@cde.state.co.us>

Mon, Nov 27, 2017 at 10:48 AM

To: "'Libnet' (libnet@cvt-lists.org)" <libnet@cvt-lists.org>

Cc: "cal-legislative@cvt-lists.org" <cal-legislative@cvt-lists.org>

Below is a call from the ALA for comments to Congress re: the recent news about the FCC overturning net neutrality rules. This ALA link to [Send an Email](#) has a letter template that can be edited as needed to send comments to your US Rep and Senators. Here is an [op-ed](#) from past prez Julie Todaro about what this means for libraries; one of many NN articles available online. For more background information about Chairman Pai's plan, visit [District Dispatch](#).

From: ALA Washington Office [mailto:DistrictDispatch@alawash.org]

Advocacy Alert: Net Neutrality

What Happened:

The day before Thanksgiving, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Pai publicly shared his plan to dismantle network neutrality protections approved by the FCC in 2015 and affirmed by the federal appeals court in 2016. The new draft order is scheduled to be voted on by the five FCC commissioners on December 14. *[note: the FCC is an agency [independent](#) from executive branch and Congress].*

Why It Matters:

Net neutrality is the principle that internet service providers (ISPs) must enable access to all legal content and applications regardless of the source and without favoring or blocking specific services or websites. Strong, enforceable rules are critical to the functioning of modern libraries because we rely on the internet to collect, create and disseminate essential online information and services to the public. Libraries and our patrons cannot afford to be relegated to "slow lanes" on the internet. ALA has two resolutions regarding net neutrality: [the first affirms net neutrality](#) and [the second reaffirms our support](#).

What You Can Do:

Right now, the FCC is not accepting public comments (that may come later), but strong disapproval from members of Congress (especially from those that serve on committees with oversight for the FCC) could force a pause in the December 14 vote to derail net neutrality. Make your voice heard now by emailing your member of Congress to support net neutrality protections.

[Send an Email](#)

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RESOLUTION AFFIRMING "NETWORK NEUTRALITY"

ALA Committee on Legislation
and
Intellectual Freedom Committee

WHEREAS, libraries "preserve our democratic society by making available the widest possible range of viewpoints, opinions, and ideas" (53:8), and

WHEREAS, equal and equitable access to information is a core value of the library profession and the American Library Association, and

WHEREAS, the "ability to access and effectively participate in the networked world . . . should be barrier free, format independent and ubiquitous to ensure an open flow of ideas." (50:15) and

WHEREAS, America's libraries collect, create, and disseminate essential information to the public over the Internet, and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States [*Reno v. ACLU*, 521 U.S. 844 (1997)] has held that four freedoms of the Internet are:

1. The Internet presents very low barriers to entry.
2. These barriers to entry are identical for both speakers and listeners.
3. As a result of these low barriers, astoundingly diverse content is available on the Internet.
4. The Internet provides significant access to all who wish to speak in the medium, and even creates a relative parity among speakers.

WHEREAS, "network neutrality" is the delivery over broadband, or high speed internet access, of any content or use of any service in a neutral fashion without a preferential structure favoring some providers of content or services to the detriment of other providers, and,

WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has outlined network neutrality principles including the right of consumers to have access to the lawful Internet content of their choice; to run applications and use services of their choice; to connect their choice of legal devices that do not harm the network; and to have competition among network providers, application and services providers, and content providers, and

WHEREAS, the consolidation and diversification of broadband providers into content providers has the potential to lead to such discriminatory behaviors as the control of access to and pricing of broadband facilities, and the favoring of network-owned content, thereby placing unaffiliated content providers at a competitive disadvantage, and,

WHEREAS, without protecting network neutrality, the Internet could develop into a multi-tiered system establishing different terms and conditions to content, services or applications providers for access to the broadband pipe, thereby favoring large established businesses or those with ties to broadband network providers, and,

WHEREAS, bills have been introduced in Congress such as the Internet Freedom Preservation Act (S.2917) and the Network Neutrality Act of 2006 (H.R. 5273) to would ensure that network neutrality and the basic and essential principle of open and nondiscriminatory access to all information on the Internet will endure; and now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the American Library Association affirm the right of all library users to enjoy equal and equitable internet access free from commercial bias, whether provided in the library, or through remote access to library resources; and be it further

RESOLVED, that ALA reiterate its support for effective network neutrality legislation such as the Internet Freedom Preservation Act (S.2917) and the Network Neutrality Act of 2006 (H.R. 5273), and be it further

RESOLVED, that the ALA support the FCC's codification of network neutrality principles, and be it further

RESOLVED, that ALA call upon library supporters to actively advocate for effective and enforceable network neutrality as telecommunications reform legislation proceeds in Congress.

Policy: 53.8, 50.15

Policy History: CD#50, 6/27/84

Endorsed by:

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[Cpld] CSL November update

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Thu, Nov 16, 2017 at 5:33 PM

All –

Here are some recent items of interest from the Colorado State Library, including some notes from the national side. Feel free to share any or all with appropriate staff or trustees. Cheers, and Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

CHECK OUT COLORADO STATE PARKS – CSL will be sending a survey soon to determine circulation and other logistics and needs for improvements to the program. This will be distributed to the liaison from your library in late November or early December. Please respond promptly to help us both improve the program and insure it continues for another year.

STATE GRANTS TO LIBRARIES – all checks for materials have been distributed to applicants, and the grant contact person in your library/jurisdiction has been notified. If you didn't receive it or have questions about eligible expenditures or year-end reporting, contact [Melissa Carlson](#).

ONE BOOK 4 COLORADO – Voting for the book selection starts in December. Look for announcements about the vote and please promote to the public. Last year we had a record number of votes and it gets the word out about this exciting April book give-away to 4 year olds. www.onebook4colorado.org/.

TEEN VIDEO CONTEST – As with previous years, CSL will announce a [Teen Video Contest](#) with the theme of promoting summer learning. Stay tuned for that announcement in the next few days and please encourage teens to create and submit a video.

CHILDREN AND TEEN SERVICES CONFERENCE – The CATS division of CAL next conference is January 29. This is a great way for youth staff to learn new ideas and trends and meet other colleagues. Registration is opening after the Thanksgiving holiday.

NATIONAL NEWS

LIBRARY FUTURES PROJECT -- ALA has an office looking at library futures. A newsletter is available to help libraries think about the future of our collections, spaces, services, partners, and roles in the community www.tinyletter.com/libraryofthefuture.

FEDERAL FUNDING PT 1: House approved \$231M (same as 2017) for 2018. Senate approved \$235M (an extra \$4M for states through LSTA). The current budget Continuing Resolution ends Dec 8. An Omnibus bill is in discussion to fund government beyond that. The pending tax reform bills could affect any budget timeline and decision on the final budget for the current year. See: [ALA dispatch](#).

FEDERAL FUNDING PT 2: It is likely that the administration budget proposal around Feb/Mar 2018 (for FY 2019) will again seek to defund IMLS and other programs (NEA, NEH, etc.). That will mean another round of Congressional contacts starting with: 1) calls to sign 'dear colleague' letters; 2) calls to specific congressional members to make the case for library funding; 3) calls to all congressional members to support specific IMLS appropriation; 4) repeat until successful.

LSS LIBRARIES NEWS: Library Systems and Services (LS&S) is a company that offers to operate city/county libraries in what some call privatization. LS&S recently promoted its services at a national city-county manager's conference. They often reach out to a city manager, mayor, or other offices—sometimes without the library director or staff knowing—with a proposal to operate the library at a lower cost. Some reports have indicated that LS&S' operations are not always successful but results vary. If you hear about such contact in your area, I suggest that it be shared via CPLD so others can be aware. See LS&S background at: [LSS website](#). [Oregon report](#). [California story](#). [Texas news](#). [LA Times](#). [Governing](#).

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CPLD library news from CSL 11.17.17.docx

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Colorado Association of Libraries, Legislative Committee Minutes
Friday, Dec 1 , 2017 at 10:00 am
Commissioner's Room, Denver Public Library

Call to Order
ATTENDING:

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Report from CAL Board:

Calendar of Activity updates for 2017

Time allocated: 10 min

Event Date	Event Name	Details
October	CALCON	10/12/2017 - 10/14/2017
December	Final Report. CAL Budget	Usually a zero budget for regular work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2016-17 request to increase payment to CAL Lobbyists • Request to reinstate grant for NLLD attendees
January	Start of Legislative Session	
March	Lobby DAY	March 27, 2018

REPORTS:

LOBBYIST'S REPORT [Jerry Braden, Amber Valdez, Ruben Valdez] Time allocated: 20 minutes

- Legislative Session Expectations
- Governor's Budget Proposal
- Legislative Agenda
- Keeping decision makers informed of the role of librarians
- Lobby Day

NATIONAL LEGISLATION

Time allocated: 5 minutes

BUDGET AND STATEGIC PLANNING

Time allocated: 10 minutes

PAC Fundraising Report

Assignments follow-up and next steps

Time allocated: 10 minutes

Who	Action
Jerry Braden Amber Valdez, & Ruben Valdez	Town Hall Meetings throughout the state
Task Force Needed	Develop Fundraising Plan for Legislative Committee Team looking at fundraising.
Collaboration with PAC Needed	Develop Fundraising Plan for PAC
Volunteers	Lobby Day Planning

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

NEXT MEETING Jan. 5, 2018

For Remote Access use the following link:

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <https://zoom.us/j/986432704>

CAL Legislative Committee Notes, 11/3/17

In attendance: Dave Sanger, DU; Eugene Hainer, State Library; John Wilkinson, Pitkin County Library; Ray Cofey, Anythink former Trustee; Robin Filipczak, Denver Public Library; Jacqueline Murphy, State Library; Brittany Raines, High Plains Library District; Mollie Steinemann; Amber Valdez, lobbyist; Ruben Valdez, lobbyist; Jerry Braden, lobbyist.

Online: Rose Nelson, Diane Walden, Jim Duncan

Minutes approved with no changes.

CAL Updates:

1. 2018 CAL Budget ; requested \$1300 to resume grants to send attendees to National Legislative Day in Washington DC

Lobbyist Updates:

1. Governor's budget to JBC on November 1. May in better shape than last year in terms of controversy. Depends on how legislators vote on the items that were supposed to be voted on in special session, but were deferred to regular session. Marijuana tax and RTD are the major issues.
2. Many entering 2018 Governor's race. Tom Tancredo just entered the race, which could split the Republicans and raise the Democrats chances of winning.
3. Several legislative races in 2018.
4. Four members of House are running for State Treasurer (2R; 2D).
5. New primary rules: voter numbers will be larger, but Ruben feels independents will still vote along party lines, based on their household's traditional political leanings. To vote in a certain primary, must be voted as Independent or a member of the primary's party (D or R).
6. Millie Hamner is term-limited and not up for re-election.
7. Diane Bush resigned to run against Scott Tipton.
8. Colorado residents don't know Lt. Governor Donna Lynne well, she may have a hard time running for Governor.
9. A good year to talk with Dave Young about possible increases to state library funding (he's running for State Treasurer)
10. Koch Brothers may be trying to create a 2/3 majority, to call a committee to make revisions to the U.S. Constitution.

CLIC, challenges to database content:

1. Representative Beckman, Dr. Robin Patterson and Dean Tegan (may not be a be a real person).
2. Gene: Recent incident in southern Colorado; librarian discovered a student login was not being used to reach the content in question (they were using adult logins and pasting in direct links). The content is not appearing in school databases.
3. Jim: Claims continue that libraries and Ebsco receive kick-backs form the sex toys industry, which is not correct. The challengers are digging deeply into CLIC's finances, and they are complying with transparency. Gene: claims about database costs have also been incorrectly

amplified. If you have questions about database costs, or any of these issues, please contact Jim Duncan at CLiC. Jerry: let us know if we can talk with other legislators in defense of libraries, in case she goes after libraries in the upcoming legislative season.

CAL Legislative Agenda:

1. Intellectual Freedom (with an eye on potential database challenges, as discussed in 10 above).
2. Funding, address dollar per capita?

How do we keep informing legislators about the roles of libraries and librarians?

1. Jacqueline: Use Aspen Institute report (Leverage public libraries to build healthier communities; Hickenlooper was keynote). Three focal points for public libraries: youth empowerment, workforce and business development, civic hubs. Could revive past material (Libraries mean business/are a smart investment; libraries change lives; libraries build community; see <https://arsl.info/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/libraryAdvocacyTradingCardsCO.pdf> for an example)
2. Gene: New Governor PSA coming out, summer reading and libraries. Partnering with CO Public Libraries, "Libraries Rock". *Run on a screen at Lobby Day. Use the theme "Libraries Rock" at Lobby Day?*
3. Lobby Day: no good days in early; looking at last week of March, and April. *Need legislative sponsor and sub-committee (Jacqueline can help; and we will recruit more once we have a date). Recruit kids to lead Pledge of Allegiance? Name badges with Legislator's name on back? Tech toys and 3-D printer?*

National Legislative Day Update, May 7-8, 2018, Gene

1. Kathi Kromer; new ALA contact for Legislative Day. Will be similar, with new ideas, like ongoing legislative activities throughout year on special topics, with key targets.
2. Kromer reported libraries are in a good position in terms of funding.
3. Bill regarding LSTA/IMLS funding; hoping it will pass quietly, without need for promotion or advocacy. If you see social media posts saying LSTA funding is not included in the budget now, it is not true, and can be disregarded. However, this will be up for inclusion in the budget annually, and there will be a new need for phone calls and legislative contact.
4. Will focus on 2-3 key points at this year's event.

E-Rate Update, Gene

1. Recent call for comments on E-Rate program. Gene compiled talking points, with CAL approval, under CAL's name, to say CO is interested in continued E-Rate funding and it's many benefits. Comments are being collected through November 7. FCC will examine comments, and use this information to determine how E-Rate will function in the future.
https://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2017/db0922/DA-17-921A1.pdf

CAL Strategic Plan, Legislative Committee Focus for 2018:

1. Support for National Library Legislative Day, funding for lobbyists, inform decision makers about libraries.

PAC, Aspen

1. Raised \$506 at CALCON17; seeking more donations. Would like to re-establish a digital presence, and resume monthly updates/calls for donations throughout CAL and CO Library community.

Next Meeting, Friday, December 1.

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PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY

news & events

December 2017

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Locations Key:
AV Avondale Satellite
BK Barkman

BS Beulah Satellite
GI Giodone
LU Lucero

LB Lamb
LY Library @ the Y
GV Greenhorn Valley

PW Pueblo West
RA Rawlings

Winter holiday fun at the library!

Holiday Decoration and Craft Supply Swap

Sunday, Dec. 3, 2-4 p.m., RA, Ryals-4th floor

Get ready for the holidays with new-to-you supplies! Give your unwanted holiday decorations, wrapping paper and craft supplies a second life and take home new treasures to deck the halls! Co-sponsored by Who Gives A Scrap and The Felted Dog.



Winter Solstice Festival

Thursday, Dec. 21, 2 p.m., RA-1st and 2nd floor

Celebrate winter's arrival with the Winter King and Queen with crafts and activities for all ages.



Winter Queen and King.

Polar Express Party

Friday, Dec. 8, 3-5 p.m., GI

Registration required.

Join us for an adventure on the Polar Express, and enjoy cookies, crafts, and a visit from Santa.

Lincoln Street Brass

Saturday, Dec. 9, 4:30 p.m., RA, InfoZone-4th floor

Lincoln Street Brass presents *Sounds of the Season*. A holiday season concert of selections especially prepared for the high, light, bright, clear tones of a brass ensemble. The Lincoln Street Brass is made up of seasoned, professional players from the Southern Colorado region. Concert begins promptly at 4:30 p.m. in the InfoZone. Admission is free; but an opportunity for a free-will gratuity will be available.



NEW! Winter Contest

Design one of these winter favorites, **snowman/snowflake, food, penguin, train** and write a brief description about your creation!

Ages: preschool-adult

Deadline: Friday, Dec. 22

Winners will receive a \$10 gift certificate to Books Again Bookstore, a certificate of achievement and a booklet with all of the winning entries. Winners will be notified by mail. All participants will receive a certificate of participation by mail.

Entry forms available at all library locations and online at www.pueblolibrary.org/wintercontest. Entries may be dropped off at any PCCLD library location or mailed to: Rawlings Library, Attn: Community Relations, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 81004.



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Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Greenhorn, Giodone and Lucero only)
Saturday
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Sunday (Rawlings only)
1 - 5 p.m.

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