

In bookmaking, several sheets of paper are folded, placed inside one another, and sewn together in a "signature." Just as one book is composed of multiple signatures, Colorado State University Libraries owes its excellence to multiple supporters, each of whom leaves a unique and lasting signature.

# Signatures

A newsletter for friends of the Colorado State University Libraries Vol. 4, No. 2 Fall 2002

## From the Interim Dean

Julie Wessling, Interim Dean  
University Libraries

The University Libraries is a popular place. Attendance is increasing, with as many as 20,000 individuals entering Morgan Library on a single day. This is an increase in traffic of more than 50 percent since completion of our building renovation project in 1998. Off-campus use of our electronic resources is also booming, with more than 30,000 electronic visits per month, a 200 percent increase since 2000.

In recognition of students' high use of Morgan Library, the Parents' Fund will donate a new showcase globe which will be added to the first floor reference area. With the growing interest in geography, this is a perfect gift and promises to be a magnet for student attention.

This newsletter touches on some of the new library activities and offers a glimpse of developments in some of our key projects, including the Water Resources Archive. We are especially excited about the creation of the Garst Scholarship; a student stipend will benefit two students with tuition costs while providing the Libraries with the skills of top students to expand the Garst Wildlife Photographic Collection database. The scholarship provides a

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## Garst Scholarship Enhances Wildlife Web Site

Colorado State University students Amanda Berrian and Trent Hohrein will venture to the wilds this year without leaving campus. Each student will receive a scholarship in addition to an hourly wage for work on the *Wildlife Photo Safari* Web site.

Warren and Genevieve Garst have donated scholarship funds to provide learning opportunities for students and to facilitate continuing development of the Web site devoted to wildlife slides photographed during the Garsts' 25 years with Mutual of Omaha's *Wild Kingdom*.

The Garsts donated almost 20,000 slides to the Libraries in 1999 after receiving numerous requests from CSU students wishing to consult the photographs for academic and research purposes. The couple envisioned a physical slide collection available for checkout.

The Libraries responded with a proposal to digitize the slides and post them on a Web site, incorporating classification information, descriptions and other information useful to students, researchers and educators.

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Warren and Genevieve Garst  
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"We were thrilled with the idea," Genny Garst says. "A Web site would make the slides available to people all over the world." Her prediction has proven to be accurate. In one week the site averages almost 900 visits, with visitors from North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and South America.

Warren comments on the importance of student collaboration from the start of the project. "They just took off with it," he says of the students who initially designed and launched the site. "They've really done a professional job."

Berrian and Hohrein are eager to take off with their work on the Web site.

"I'm looking forward to the experience with different animals," says Hohrein, a sophomore in veterinary medicine from Spanish Fork, Utah, with a background in animal identification. "It'll give me a chance to look at animals from around the world."

Berrian, a sophomore from Monument, Colorado, planning to major in environmental health, adds

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wonderful model to attract top-notch students to work in the Libraries and at the same time guarantees the expansion of a unique, popular electronic database.

Please accept my personal thanks for your interest in the Libraries. With your support, we continue to build the rich collections and state-of-the-art services that attract growing numbers of users to our facilities. If you have a chance to visit Morgan Library, you will be impressed with the high-energy activity and excitement any day of the week. ■

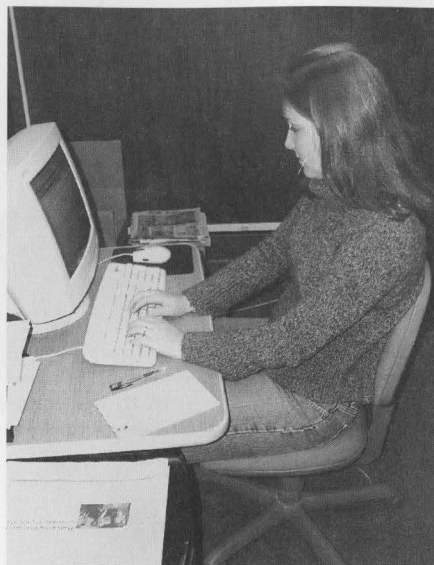
that the project will bring together her interests in ecosystems and photography and will enable her to become familiar with Web site design.

"I'm hoping to learn from what the other students have done," Berrian says, "and to expand on what's already there."

Biological Sciences librarian and project adviser Dean Hendrix says the current student team has the opportunity to add "bells and whistles" to the "nuts and bolts" already in place. As a member of the scholarship selection team, Hendrix says he is confident the recipients are equal to the task. He says Berrian's and Hohrein's interests and experiences, combined with impressive references and interviews, clinched the selection process.

"Their background adds depth to the breadth of knowledge we have as librarians," Hendrix says of the students.

In addition to expanding the site's textual content, future work includes integration of audio clips recorded during an interview with the Garsts and digitization of additional slides. While all the species photographed in the Garsts' collection are

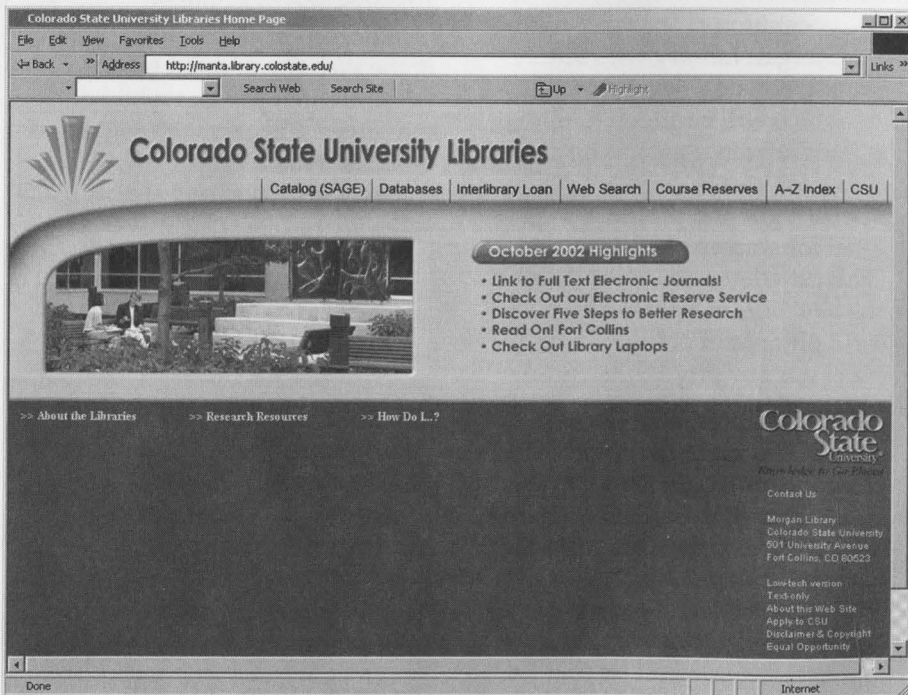


Garst Scholarship recipient Amanda Berrian at work on the Wildlife Photo Safari.

represented on the site, some 18,000 slides offering a further look at these species remain to be digitized.

The Garsts' ongoing support allows the Libraries to progress toward these project goals.

"I want to thank the Garsts again for their generosity," Hendrix says, "for being such active donors and for helping students develop their skills." ■



# New Development Web Pages, Newsletter Coincide with Redesign of Libraries Web Site

The CSU Libraries Development department has a new presence on the World Wide Web. In addition to updated content – including descriptions of current projects, historical information and online giving opportunities – Development department pages feature a new theme and corresponding design.

The opening page, located at <http://lib.colostate.edu/develop/>, invites visitors to leave a “signature” by supporting CSU Libraries. In bookmaking, the term signature describes several sheets of paper folded, placed inside one another and sewn together. The multiple signatures that make up one book represent the multiple supporters whose signatures contribute to the Libraries’ excellence.

This fall’s newsletter introduces print readers to the signatures theme. The “Signatures” newsletter will provide the project updates, faculty and staff spotlights and

historical perspectives previously published under the “University Libraries” masthead.

The new theme and Web page design were adopted to offer readers an information format that is attractive and easy to use. The CSU Libraries Web Implementation Team had similar goals in redesigning the Libraries’ Web site this summer. Team leader Lori Oling explains that the previous design was implemented in 1999, when the site contained only one-third of its current content. As content increased, data showed that visitors were no longer using the categories and links featured on the Libraries’ home page. These findings indicated that revised home page content might better meet users’ needs.

The design and implementation process involved staff and students through focus discussions, the creation of mock-up pages and preparation of the selected design for publication. Under the technical

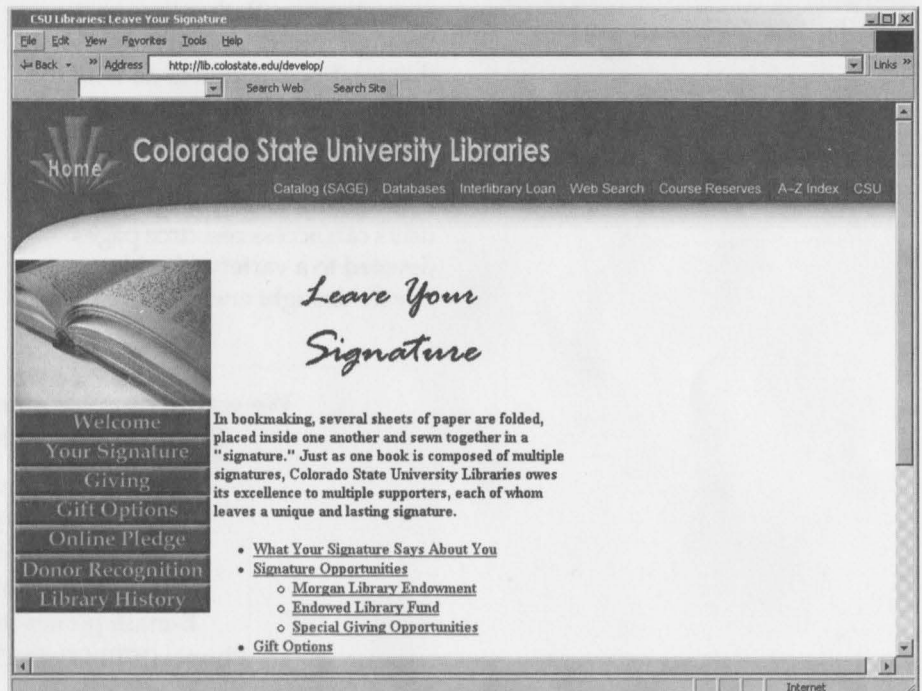
leadership of Web student Victor Gonzales and with the graphic design expertise of student Paul Whyman, student workers logged 200 hours preparing the site for its August 20 launch date.

Since the launch, feedback has been mostly positive. Users have responded favorably to the design and to content accessibility. The Libraries’ Web staff reports significantly fewer e-mail queries regarding site content, suggesting an improvement in usability.

Visit the Libraries’ home page at <http://lib.colostate.edu/> to view the new design. Features include a Current Highlights section, a series of menus with rollover options and a revolving series of photographs that will change with the seasons. An A-Z index on the toolbar facilitates navigation from any of the site’s pages. Low-tech and text-only versions of the site are also available to meet the needs of multiple users. ■

◀ The Colorado State University Libraries Home Page  
<http://lib.colostate.edu/>

The CSU Libraries ▶  
Development Home Page  
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## Resource Pages Connect Library Users to Relevant and Reliable Information

### Did you know?

Members of the  
Libraries' instructional  
staff support campus  
faculty by teaching  
sessions on navigating  
the library, conducting  
electronic searches and  
mastering other library  
and research skills.  
Midway through the  
Fall 2002 semester, our  
instructors had already  
taught 210 sessions  
to more than 4000  
students.

Colorado State University reference librarians are helping library users get on the right page. These librarians have created resource pages in disciplines ranging from the arts and sciences to business, history and law.

This summer, visitors to the Libraries' Web site were invited to view drought and wildfire pages from a link on the home page. Reference Librarian Allison Level compiled drought and wildfire resources to guide users seeking updates, background and contact information on the Internet.

Like other resource pages, the drought and wildfire pages provide reliable links and research information dedicated to a particular subject. In contrast to search engines such as Google and Alta Vista, Level pointed out, the Libraries' resource pages direct users to information that has been reviewed for relevance and reliability. Rather than sorting through countless search results that might have little to do with the project at hand, resource page users can quickly locate the sources that best suit their needs.

Students, faculty and other library users can access resource pages devoted to a variety of subjects. Level's drought and wildfire pages

are now included as links on her forest sciences resource page (<http://lib.colostate.edu/research/forestscli/>). She has also created a fishery and wildlife biology page (<http://lib.colostate.edu/research/fishwild/>).

Other resource pages include:

- **Art Resources** ([lib.colostate.edu/research/hum/art.html](http://lib.colostate.edu/research/hum/art.html)) and Apparel Design Resources (<http://lib.colostate.edu/research/design/>), created by Kate Cunningham-Hendrix
- **Environmental Policy Issues** (<http://lib.colostate.edu/research/envirpolic.html>) and Primary Source Materials in Historical Research (<http://lib.colostate.edu/research/primarysources.html>), created by Doug Ernest
- **Business Resources** (<http://patriot.library.colostate.edu/research/business/>), created by Awilda Reyes

For a complete list of  
available resource pages, see  
the Subject Guides page at  
[http://lib.colostate.edu/  
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# Norlarco Sponsors a Winning Partnership

**N**orlarco Credit Union has teamed up with CSU Libraries, CSU Athletics and Poudre School District (PSD) to benefit area students. Through the Read to Win, Win to Read program, Norlarco donates \$600 for every touchdown scored at a Rams home football game and \$250 for every home match victory for the CSU women's volleyball team. The money is distributed among the Libraries, CSU Athletics and PSD and is used to fund library resources, athletic scholarships and reading programs.

Originally dubbed Touchdown for Books, the partnership was renamed Read to Win, Win to Read when Norlarco expanded contributions to recognize women's volleyball. During last year's program, Norlarco contributed \$13,000 to support education.

Trish Brown Joyner, Norlarco's Business Development and Community Relations Coordinator, explains that education is a focus area for Norlarco's community involvement. Established to "support area students in their educational pursuits," the Read to Win, Win to Read program accomplishes this purpose at three levels. At the primary school level, the program funds book purchases for PSD students. At the college level, CSU athletes receive scholarships, and all students benefit through contributions to the Libraries. Finally, the program impacts the entire community by equipping students and by supporting a library whose outreach extends beyond the CSU campus.

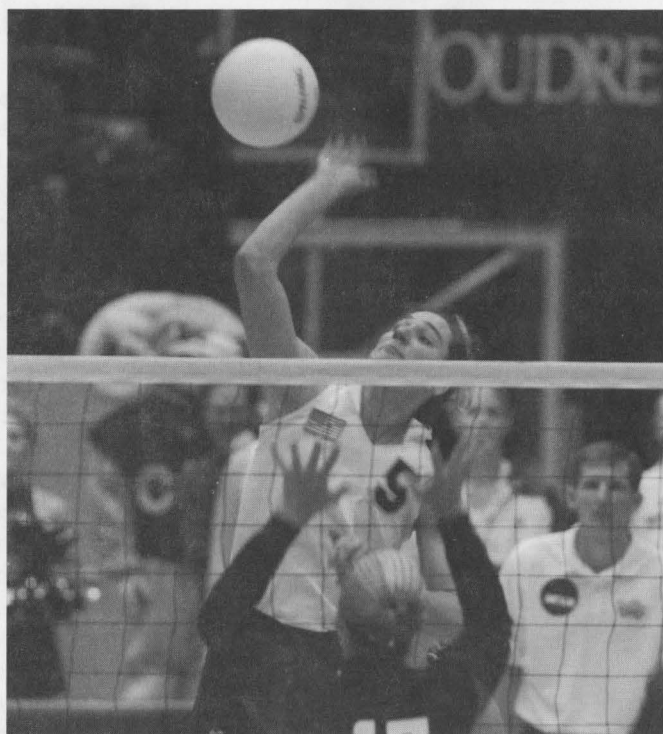
Several of Read to Win's beneficiaries come together during designated athletic events at CSU. Up to 200 students of Poudre Schools attend one football game and one volleyball match as a group. The children are recognized during the game and are encouraged in their educational endeavors.

These students are first through third graders in Individual Literacy Plan programs who receive free books through Norlarco's donations. Based on the selections of teachers who have specific knowledge of students' abilities and needs, the children are given books to keep at home. The strategy is part of a program that recognizes the importance of early intervention in promoting literacy. Since the implementation of such measures in

the late 1990s, the number of PSD students identified as proficient in reading by the fourth grade has grown from 65 to 80 percent.

Poudre Schools Reading Specialist and Language Arts Coordinator Tom Tonoli says programs like Read to Win, Win to Read play a crucial role in promoting literacy by facilitating book ownership. "Whenever you cause kids to read more, you improve fluency," Tonoli says. "Many of the youngsters in this program have limited book ownership in their homes. This is one more opportunity to put personally-owned books into the hands of kids, and that increases the amount of reading they do."

The Libraries' portion of this year's donation will help fund the Water Resources Archive (see story on page 8). The Libraries and program partners look forward to another successful year for the CSU football and volleyball teams and for the Read to Win, Win to Read program. ■



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*- Tom Tonoli*





## Tables of Content Sequel a Success

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*Plan to join us  
for the third annual  
Tables of Content.  
The event is scheduled  
for May 31, 2003 at  
Morgan Library.*

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Attendees of CSU Libraries' second annual *Tables of Content* have responded with enthusiastic reviews. Held on June 1 at Morgan Library, the event brought together thirteen table hosts and 120 guests, an attendance increase of 64 percent over last year's dinner. Guests enjoyed a full-course gourmet meal accompanied by engaging conversation facilitated by table hosts from a variety of fields.

This year's event raised \$10,000 for the Water Resources Archive, one of the Libraries' newest collections and an important contribution to Colorado water research and management (see story on page 8). The Libraries hosted tours of the Archive in conjunction with the dinner. The evening's guest list included thirty representatives of water-related fields, and table host Robert Ward led a discussion on Colorado's water history.

Other table hosts and their topics are listed below:

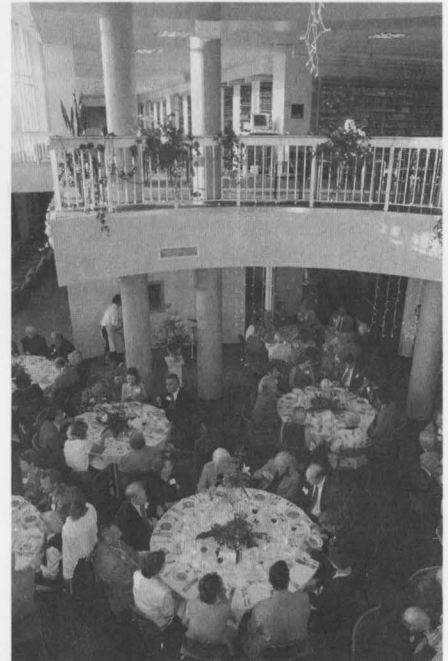
**Dorothy M. Bland**, *Fort Collins Coloradoan* president and publisher: How the Internet has changed the media business

**Sue Ellen Charlton and Jim Boyd**, professors of political science and philosophy at Colorado State: Politics and religion in India

**Ernest Chavez**, Colorado State professor of psychology: Educating bilingual children: Myths and mandates

**John Dunning**, mystery writer and radio historian: Books, reading, writing and radio

**Warren and Genevieve Garst**, wildlife photographers: Wayfarers in the *Wild Kingdom*



*Tables of Content fundraising dinner at the William E. Morgan Library.*

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**Thomas Noel**, historian: Mark Twain's Larimer County misadventures

**Peggy Reeves**, State Senator: Perspectives on the future of the state of Colorado

**Steven Schwartz**, author and Colorado State University professor of English: Truth is beauty, beauty is fiction: The intersection between fiction and fact and how stories become luminous narratives that rivet our attention

**Stu VanMeveren**, District Attorney: Does our criminal justice system work as it should?

**Connie Willis**, science fiction writer: Using the past to plot the future ■

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# Faculty and Staff Spotlight

## Awards and Recognition

**Tom Delaney**, Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Coordinator has been invited to work as a consultant for the Association of Research Libraries. Delaney joins a small group of library professionals whose assignment is to design and administer an updated ILL cost study. The group will collect data from more than 50 participating libraries this spring and plans to publish the results of their national study by September 2003.

**Jim Farmer**, Coordinator of Access Services, received a Colorado State University Police Department Community Service Award. Farmer was recognized for instituting the Morgan Library Security System and Digital Camera Network.

**George Jaramillo**, Assistant Dean of Administrative Services, served as co-editor of the Summer 2002 issue of *Colorado Libraries* and published an article, "The Merging of Financial Budgets," in the same issue.

**Jennifer Kutzik**, General Professional II, was re-elected to a two-year term as Secretary to the American Library Association's

Library Support Staff Interests Round Table. She will continue as the Round Table's Webmaster and was appointed chair of the Publications Committee. She has served on the LSSIRT Steering Committee since 1994.

## Articles and Presentations

**Nancy Chaffin**, Assistant Professor and Metadata Librarian, with Ajaye Bloomstone of Louisiana State University: "U.S. Serial Services Price Index for 2002" referenced in *American Libraries* 33(5): 75 and published in *American Libraries Online* at <http://www.ala.org/online/archive/serials02.html>.

Presentation at the American Library Association Annual Conference: "MetaLib and SFX at Colorado State University."

Presentations at the Colorado Library Association Annual Meeting ("Catalog Meets the Web: An Overview") and the North American Serials Interest Group Annual Conference ("We Have Met the Enemy, and Sometimes He Is Us! (with apologies to Walt Kelly)").

**Nancy Chaffin, Donnice Cochenour, Jennifer Kutzik and Michelle Wilde**: Presentation at the Colorado Library Association Technical Services and Automation Division Spring Workshop: "Those Aggravating Aggregators."

**Kevin Cullen**, Digital Projects Librarian: "PHP: An Open Source Solution for Web Programming and Dynamic Content" in *Information Technology and Libraries* 21(3): 116-120.

**Michelle Mach**, Digital Projects Librarian: Index to Teresa Neely's *Sociological and Psychological Aspects of Information Literacy in Higher Education*, Scarecrow Press, 2002.

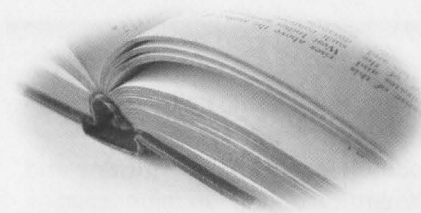
**Patty Rettig**, Project Archivist: "Administrative Metadata for Digital Images: A Real World Application of the NISO Draft Standard" in *Library Collections, Acquisitions & Technical Services* 26(2002): 173-179.

**Pat Smith**, Acquisitions Services Coordinator: Co-presenter of "The Final Frontier: Creating Effective Interfaces Between Acquisitions and Financial Systems" at the American Library Association Annual Conference in June.

## Retirements

Library Technological Services Coordinator **Karen Weedman** retired after 28 years of service to CSU. Weedman began working at the Libraries in 1988 as a Senior Systems Analyst. She devoted many years to the development of the Libraries' computer infrastructure and is recognized campus wide for her leadership and technical knowledge.

Reference Librarian **Barbara Branstad** is retiring after 31 years of service. Branstad has worked as Assistant Catalog Librarian and Assistant Serials Librarian and is currently a reference specialist in Social Sciences and Humanities. After retirement, she will continue work with Reference Librarian Joan Beam on the second edition of *The Native American in Long Fiction*. ■



## Donor Support Keeps Laptop Program Strong

**T**hanks in large part to donors who responded to last spring's Call-A-Ram telephone campaign, contributions to the Electronic Resources and Services Fund (ERSF) have totaled close to \$55,000 this year.

The ERSF supports Morgan Library's popular laptop program, which provides laptop computers for individual checkout and use within the library. Because only 60 percent of CSU students own computers, many library users have come to rely on the flexibility and privacy offered by the laptop program. Wireless technology made possible by a donation from the 3Com Corporation allows students to write papers, create spreadsheets and presentations and search the Web and the library's SAGE catalog from almost anywhere in the building.

More than 1700 laptop checkouts occurred in September alone, bringing this year's total number of checkouts to just under 13,000. Since the laptops became available in May of 2000, circulation has exceeded 47,500 checkouts.

Such high demand necessitates frequent maintenance and eventual replacement of heavily used units. Even with a reliable maintenance schedule in place, student demand often exceeds laptop supply. Donor support allows the Libraries to repair and replace existing units and to purchase additional laptops for circulation. This year, donor support has funded the purchase of 40 new laptops, bringing the total number of available units to 77. ■

## Public Responds to Water Resources Archive

**M**organ Library's newest archive attracts increased attention as additional collections are processed and made available to the public. The Water Resources Archive enables researchers, engineers, attorneys and other citizens to investigate technical, environmental and cultural perspectives on water in Colorado and the West. In addition to guiding public tours and welcoming researchers who have utilized the Archive, the Libraries are conducting ongoing focus sessions inviting users to identify their interests in the Archive. These sessions will inform the Libraries' strategy as the Archive continues to grow.

Established in 2001 through a partnership between the Libraries, CSU's Colorado Water Resources Research Institute (CWRI) and the Colorado Agriculture Archive, the Water Resources Archive preserves and promotes Colorado's rich water history and serves as a resource for current and future water management and policy. To date, 15 leaders or organizations in

water-related fields have donated their studies, maps and drawings, correspondence, audio recordings, meeting minutes and discussion notes, work logs and other materials to the Archive.

Current processing focuses on the collection of Daryl B. Simons, Professor Emeritus of Civil Engineering at CSU who has served as project supervisor and hydraulic consultant on numerous national and international projects. Simons' collection includes various work-related documents and teaching materials, as well as a short film related to his work on the Mississippi River.

Besides Simons' documents, five collections remain to be processed. Processing involves sorting collection contents, storing them according to archival standards and creating finding aids to describe the contents.

Future plans for the Archive include the posting of online finding aids to facilitate user searches and the digitization of portions of the Archive for online viewing. ■

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# From the Pages of History

## A Backbone of Donor Support

Since the establishment in 1880 of the first library at what was then called Colorado Agricultural College, donor support has been essential to CSU Libraries' existence and growth. The founding of the first library, in fact, depended almost entirely upon donations of books and other printed materials. Early donors of gift volumes included the U.S. Department of the Interior, Michigan Agricultural College and various other colleges, experiment stations and individuals.

The reliance on donated materials yielded an eclectic collection, and the challenge at this time was to raise regular funding. Though most early donations were books – such as the collections of turn-of-the-century college president Barton O. Aylesworth and Judge Louis B. France of Denver – significant financial donations made possible the purchase of greatly needed general volumes. In 1892, Fort Collins resident Anna Jones left her \$5000 estate to the college, with proceeds of its sale to benefit the library. The establishment in 1908 of a fund memorializing early instructor Theodosia Ammons supported domestic-science collections in the library.

Funding from the college allowed the library to expand throughout the first decades of the twentieth century, but gifts again assumed greater than normal importance during the Great Depression. Contributions came from organizations and individuals alike. The American Olympic Committee, the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation and the John Crerar Library in Chicago donated books and money for purchases. Several faculty members contributed their collections, and former president Charles Lory, then serving as chair of a federal commission, reverted his \$2300 salary to the college for the purchase of library books.



*Student fund-raisers gather at the old library (now the Music building) in April 1957.*

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The years following WWII saw tremendous growth of the university, then known as Colorado A&M, and the library scrambled to keep pace. Students became involved in fundraising efforts, raising donations of more than \$5800 in the "Bucks for Books" campaign of 1957. The library flourished during the 1960s, but students again became fund-raisers in the early 1970s, when inflation reduced the library's purchasing power and government funding diminished. However, the Vietnam War and the shooting at Kent State overshadowed the Forward CSU campaign of 1970, and student efforts to raise money for the library gradually faded after a "Dollars for Scholars" drive in 1971.

In the late 1980s, the Libraries benefited significantly from corporate and foundation support. This movement began when two local travel agencies, Bon Voyage Travel and Professional Travel Corporation, now part of Navigant International,

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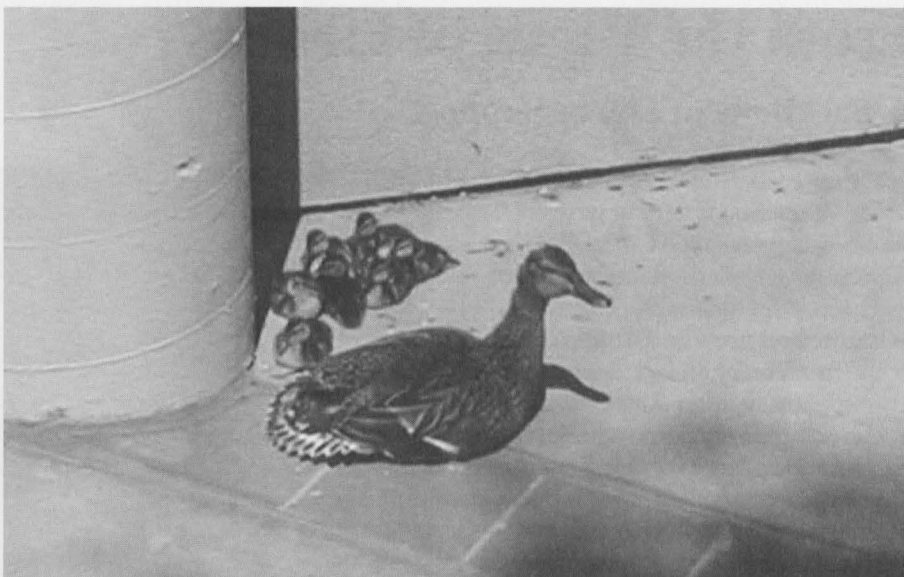
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- Bonfils-Stanton Foundation Gallery
- Adolph Coors Foundation Courtyard
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- Kenneth Kendal King Foundation Gallery
- Ken and Myra Monfort Plaque
- Joseph Phelps Gallery
- Richard L. Robinson and Edward A. Robinson Gallery
- Harold H. Short Family Reading Room
- Tointon Family Gallery
- US West Electronic Information Center



*Spring of 2002 marked the fourth year a mother duck chose the Morgan Library Courtyard as the spot to hatch her eggs.*

*Eight ducklings were hatched this year, and all were safely transferred to the Vet Teaching Hospital pond along with their mother.*



### **A Backbone of Donor Support**

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donated two percent of fares booked by university employees. In 1990, a \$250,000 grant from the Anheuser-Busch Foundation funded the establishment of a periodicals room in Morgan Library.

In 1994, the Libraries launched the "A Promise Fulfilled" campaign. This \$7.2 million campaign supplemented state funds to make possible the renovation of and addition to the existing Morgan Library. Areas of Morgan Library are named for several donors who contributed to the campaign (see sidebar on page 9). "A Promise Fulfilled" also funded establishment of the Morgan Library Endowment, a fund that continues to grow, building interest that is used to support the Libraries. Named for former University President and ongoing advocate Dr. William E. Morgan, the Morgan Library Endowment is currently valued at more than \$2.5 million.

Today, corporate and individual donors continue to provide a foundation of support for Colorado State University Libraries. The Norlarco Credit Union contributes

to the Libraries through the Read to Win, Win to Read program (see article on page 5). Individual donors have made possible the laptop program at Morgan Library (p. 8), and gifts to the Morgan Library Endowment and other funds enable the Libraries to meet users' growing needs. Other individuals have donated collections that enhance educational and research opportunities for library patrons and – thanks to digitization efforts – Internet users worldwide. The Warren and Genevieve Garst Photographic Collection, the John W. Kluge Contemporary Art Poster Collection and the collections contained in the Water Resources Archive represent CSU Libraries' commitment to preserving and providing access to important materials from diverse fields. These collections are further developed through financial contributions, such as the Garsts' donation of scholarship funds for students working on the *Wildlife Photo Safari* (cover story).

As always, thank you for your support of Colorado State University Libraries. History shows that we couldn't do it without you. ■



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## Libraries Participate in "Bridges to the Future"

A teleconference hosted by Colorado State University Libraries this semester will address the implications of recent anti-terrorism measures as they relate to libraries. The December 11 conference, titled "Safeguarding Our Patrons' Privacy: What Every Librarian Needs to Know About the USA PATRIOT Act and Related Anti-Terrorism Measures," is part of the "Bridges to the Future" initiative.

"Bridges to the Future" is a yearlong, statewide effort to encourage exploration and greater understanding of American history and values in light of the September 11 attacks. Sponsored by Colorado State University and the University of Denver, "Bridges to the Future" will bring together a wide range of perspectives in a

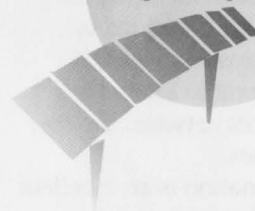
*For additional information on events and opportunities for  
involvement, please visit the "Bridges to the Future"*

*Web site at: <http://bridgestothefuture.colostate.edu/>.*

variety of events, including visits by major international speakers, local discussions, a film series, readings and displays. To date, visiting speakers have included former astronaut and senator John Glenn, Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel and General H. Norman Schwarzkopf. Future speakers will include Archbishop of Chicago Cardinal Francis George, 2000 Green Party Vice Presidential candidate Winona LaDuke, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

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American History and Values  
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## Dear Dr. Book

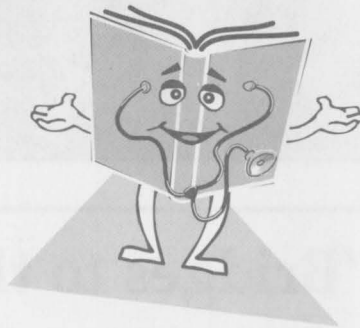
Dear Dr. Book,  
I have a sizable collection of maps that I use when I hike the Rocky Mountain backcountry. My maps always take a beating and are now getting very ragged. Is there a way to protect my new maps from damage and to repair my old maps? Thanks!

*A Rocky Mountain Hiker*

Dear Rocky Mountain Hiker,

Lamination and encapsulation can protect your maps during trips to the mountains or for home storage. Both methods are appropriate for folded or rolled maps. However, it is important to know the differences between the two techniques.

Lamination is an excellent method to use on a map that is handled frequently. Lamination is the direct application of clear plastic to



one or both sides of a paper document. Driver licenses and identification cards are commonly laminated. The major disadvantage is that the adhesive is permanent! The plasticized covering cannot be removed without damaging the document. A map that is valuable or hard to replace should never be laminated; make a copy of the map and laminate the copy. If the laminated copy is damaged, it can be replaced with another copy while the original map remains pristine.

Encapsulation is a more preservation-friendly method of protecting your maps. Encapsulation is the enclosure of a document between two sheets of clear,

inert film. The edges of the film are sewn, welded, or held together with double-sided tape. The film does not adhere directly to the map, and the printing on the map will not be transferred to the film. The map is easily removed from the enclosure through careful cutting in the space between the film edge and the map. Any map of the same size can be reinserted in the enclosure and the edges can be resealed. The most commonly used film, Mylar, is available at art supply stores. You might construct several Mylar envelopes to fit common map sizes and simply insert your map of choice for each hiking trip. Copying the original map and encapsulating the copy is still a good option.

Taking into consideration the pros and cons of the two techniques, you can use either of them on your brittle, fragile and/or damaged maps. The map will not be

damaged further and will not need additional repairs. Even a map in several sections can be encapsulated as the static charge within the enclosure keeps the map pieces in order.

When buying new maps for your collection, look for those that are divided into sections and encased with a plasticized material. These maps are easily folded to show the desired area and are protected against moisture and grime. I have seen state maps constructed in this manner.

For additional information on preserving maps or on preservation in general, please write to "Dear Dr. Book" in care of the University Libraries Newsletter, Colorado State University Libraries, Fort Collins, CO 80523 or visit the Libraries Preservation Services Web site at: <http://manta.library.colostate.edu/preserv/>.