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National Library Week, April 12th - 18th

One of my favorite childhood memories is going with my family to our community library and checking out as many books as I could carry. I can still hear the "thump thump" of the machine that stamped date due cards.

The library is where I discovered Laura Ingalls Wilder's Little House on the Prairie series. I felt a part of the family as Pa played his fiddle at night by the fire. Then I discovered smart and clever Nancy Drew. One by one I worked my way down the neatly filed shelves of yellow mysteries. In my imagination, there was room in Nancy's Roadster for one more mystery solving friend. I envisioned myself sitting between George and Bess in the back seat as Nancy raced to discover the clues that would help solve the latest mystery.

Today, there are so many more things available at the library besides books! We have books to listen to on tape, on CD, on portable players, music on



CD, as well as Internet and word processing computers available for use. With your library card you can access our website at www.garfieldlibraries.org and renew

the items you have checked out or place items on hold. With our databases you can study for a test, get tutoring help with your homework, or find out how to repair your car. Nancy Drew could have sat in her Roadster in the library parking lot and used her laptop to access the library's wireless internet connection to help solve her mysteries!

As we celebrate National Library Week April 12-18, 2009 we celebrate 51 years of this American Library Association

tradition. This year's theme is "World's connect @ your library". You can bring the world to your home via the internet and your library card. Best of all--it is free!
-Janine Rose, Assistant Director



The Big Read Comes to an End

What Page Are YOU On?

The Library District hosted its first ever Big Read, featuring *The Malted Falcon* by Dashiell Hammett. The Big

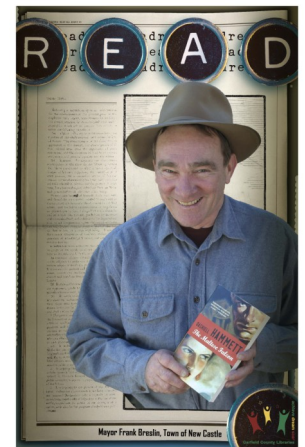
Read was sponsored in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, Arts Midwest and the Institute of Library and Museum Services. More than 1000 books were distributed, including over 100 copies of *The Malted*



Falcon by Bruce Hale, to 2nd through 5th grade classrooms for a simultaneous Little Read. Children in schools throughout Garfield County were paid a visit from *The Malted Falcon's* main character Chet Gecko, as part of Little Read activities.

Each Garfield County mayor agreed to support and promote The Big Read by being on their own "READ poster". These

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New Castle Mayor, Frank Breslin

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Adult Events

April

3rd	Business of Writing GCC featuring Lynn Erickson 6:30 p.m.	
7th	Basic Gardening and Related Topics S featuring Patrick McCarty 6 p.m.	
7th	Internet Dating GWS featuring Nick Isenberg 7 p.m.	
8th	Artist's Reception NC 7 p.m.	
9th	From Carbondale to Swaziland GCC lecture and slide show 6:30 p.m.	
12th	Libraries Closed ◀ ◀ Easter	
14th	Learn to Knit or Crochet R 6 - 8 p.m.	
15th	Basic Mouse Skills NC learn to use the mouse 9 a.m.	(R)
16th	Winter Lecture Series GWS Chautauqua- Martha Maxwell 7 p.m.	
17th	In the Eyes of a Ute GCC featuring Clifford Duncan 7 p.m.	
18th	Weave a Muffin Basket NC \$10 material fee 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	(R)
22nd	Community Forum NC 7 p.m.	
22nd	Basic Email Skills NC set up a Gmail account 9 a.m.	(R)
23rd	Gardening Workshop P local gardeners offer tips 6:30 p.m.	
24th	Libraries Closed ◀ ◀ Staff Work Day	

May

4th	Computer 101 Basic Mouse Skills P learn to use the mouse 9 a.m.	(R)
5th	Alex Project Round 2 P 7 p.m.	
9th	3D Origami Class featuring R Sandy Sekeres 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.	(R)
11th	Computer Desktop Skills P 9 a.m.	(R)
12th	Learn to Knit or Crochet R 6 - 8 p.m.	
13th	Artist's Reception NC 7 p.m.	
21st	Take your iphone to the Max R (also for ipod touch) 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	
21st	<i>From Redstone to Ludlow</i> featuring GCC Daryll Munsell 6:30 p.m.	
25th	Libraries Closed ◀ ◀ Memorial Day	
27th	Community Forum NC 7 p.m.	

June

9th	Learn to Knit or Crochet R 6 - 8 p.m.	
10th	Artist's Reception NC 7 p.m.	
18th	<i>Intrigue in the House of Wong</i> GWS featuring Amy S Kwei 7 p.m.	
24th	Community Forum NC 7 p.m.	

GCC - Gordon Cooper Carbondale S - Silt
GWS - Glenwood Springs R - Rifle
NC - New Castle P - Parachute

(R) Registration Required

Building Update from the Director

The Garfield County Public Library District is growing! Two new libraries are in the planning stages at Rifle and Parachute, with continuing discussions in Carbondale, Glenwood Springs, New Castle and Silt about the facilities in those communities. Conceptual drawings of the Parachute facility are below. The District is working with architect Bruce Flynn of Barker Rinker Seatcat and the construction firm of Adolfsen and Peterson to construct the new libraries.

The approximately 3500 square foot expansion of the Parachute Branch Library will add a public meeting room, larger children's and teen areas, lounge space, expanded staff and storage, and improve parking at the facility. The addition will take advantage of the beautiful views to the north and east of the building and preserve the park-like exterior. The meeting room will be available to civic groups as well as library programs, and should be available for use outside of regular library hours. There has already been one public meeting attended by nearly 50 people and another will be planned for April to give the community a chance to weigh in on the plans.

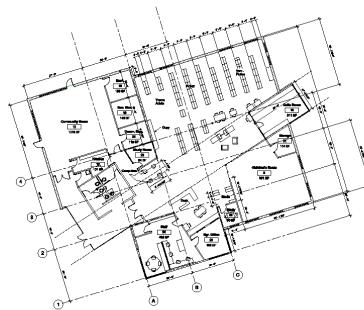
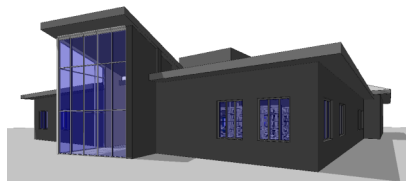
The Rifle Branch Library will be a new 20,000 to 25,000 square foot facility with a large public meeting room, larger collections,

study rooms, adequate staff and storage space, administrative office space and attractive outdoor areas. The District is working with the City of Rifle to create an outdoor civic space that will accommodate activities such as the Farmer's Market and other events. Also in the program is adequate parking for both facilities with a goal of 140 spaces that will provide additional parking for

downtown businesses. The parking lot will be a joint venture between the City, the Library District and the Downtown Development Association.

So far there has been one public meeting about the project in Rifle and more are planned. The District has received positive feedback from the City Council about the new facility and is excited about the possibilities of having a larger library to serve the growing population of this community. The District will continue to work with the other four municipalities and hopes to have a firm plan for the next two projects by the end of the summer.

-Amelia Shelley, Executive Director



Book Recommendations from Staff

Handle with Care

By Jodi Picoult

Whether or not you're a Picoult fan, this one's a keeper. Her usual mix of heart, humor, and controversial current issues are all here. The main character, a child named Willow, is impossible not to love and the dilemma surrounding her and her family is heart-wrenching. You will find yourself wondering about the choices we make for the ones we love and how far we are willing to go.

I dare you to guess the ending. I usually have a pretty good idea and I was not even close. Read and enjoy!

-Shirley Peterson, New Castle

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

By Mary Ann Shaffer

This is a charming story set in England just after the German occupation has ended on the small island of Guernsey. Juliet Ashton, a writer, receives an unexpected query from a Dawsey Adams, a native of that island, regarding a book that once belonged to her.

Written as a series of letters between Juliet, Dawsey and other colorful island inhabitants, Juliet begins to unravel one of their most compelling stories of the occupation. Each person who writes to Juliet unfolds another chapter in this captivating story until she feels compelled to visit them herself. It is a decision that will change her life forever.

-Sunny Whilldin, New Castle

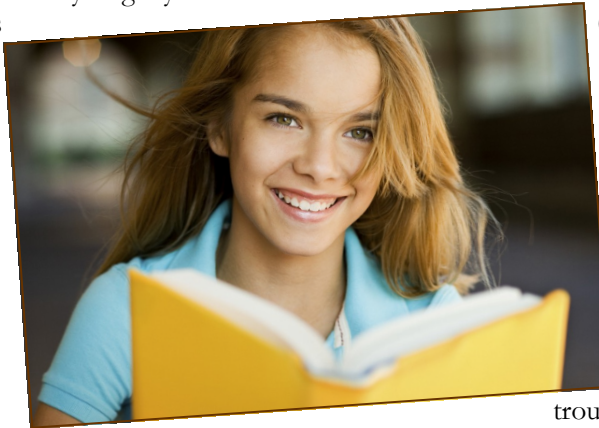
Get Hold of the Materials You Want

Did you know you can reserve a book before it is even available at stores or in the library? The Garfield County Public Library District has implemented a new ordering system that allows you to see and place holds on items as soon as the library orders them. This means you can get in line early for the hottest new titles even faster! Placing holds for on-order titles also helps the library know how many copies are needed. This helps the library meet demand on upcoming titles and get books into your hands faster. Generally the library purchases one copy for every 4 to 5 holds.

Here's how to place a hold on an item

- Go to www.garfieldlibraries.org
- Search in the upper right hand corner for the title you are interested in.
- Once you find the title, click on the button that says "Request" in the upper left of the title display.
- Type in your name, library card number, and choose a pick-up location
- Click "Submit"

The computer will verify whether the hold was successful. If so, the item is now on hold for you, and we will notify you when it comes in. If the hold was unsuccessful, simply call your library and our friendly staff will find a way to get you that item.



With your Garfield County library card you also have access to many titles offered by other libraries on the Western Slope. If you do not find the title you are interested in, search again, but instead of searching in "Garfield County Public Library", search in

"Marmot Global" at the bottom of the drop down menu. This gives you access to titles owned by other libraries on the Western Slope. You can place holds on many of these titles using the same method.

The books are then delivered (free of charge) to your local branch library for you to pick-up and check out.

As the economy gets tighter and tighter, the library is your source for free information and entertainment. We have many popular music titles, DVDs, and of course the hottest new books.

As always, if you have any trouble finding a title or placing a hold, please give us a call and we will help you find the materials you need.



...The Big Read (continued)



Judy Martens gets her book signed by C.J. Box at the Black & White Gala.

There were over 30 Big Read programs including art shows, literary nights, a film contest, a play, scavenger hunts, and book discussions held at all six library branches. The Big Read culminated in the Black and White Gala featuring New York Times best-selling author C.J. Box, the music of the Walt Smith Trio, and a screening of the two winning films from the Big Read Film Contest.

The Library District wants to thank all the sponsors and participants who helped make our first Big Read so successful!

Special note: The Library District has applied for another grant from the Big Read for 2010, featuring the title Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury.

posters are on display throughout the six communities and at the libraries. The other five posters are also shown on page 7.

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Cast members (left to right) Tessa Neels, Dave Zeigler, Georgene Jackson, and Stephan Piker at a DiVine Family Theatre performance of "Death by Chocolate".

Food or Fines

The Garfield County Public Library District would like to thank everyone who donated items during February for the Food for Fines program. **2,386 items were donated to Lift-Up this year!** That's an increase of more than 140% over last year!

Summer Reading is for Adults Too!

Summer is right around the corner, and we've got one more reason to be excited. The Adult Summer Reading Program will begin in June, and will be the second year of this District-wide program.

The Library District wants to encourage adults to take books on camping trips, vacations, and even your daily commute (we have books for bus riders or audio books for drivers). We want to offer this program also for parents and grandparents who already encourage your children and teens to read during their summer programs. With this adult program you can all read together as a family.

The program is very simple, and will work the same as it did last year. There are no registration or attendance requirements. All you need to do is read books and enter your name in for drawings. You can complete one entry card for each three books you finish. Each library will have drawings and give away great prizes. Last year the libraries gave away free groceries, free food, free gas, and other great prizes. Stop by your local branch to see what prizes are up for grabs this year.



Meet Your Librarian

Judy Martens
Branch Manager
Rifle Branch Library

In today's world it is quite unusual to find a person who remains in their job for 10 or 20 years. It is all the more incredible that Judy Martens has been at the Rifle Branch Library for 28 years! Many of you know her smiling face as a great representative for the Garfield County Library District. Judy is the patient, caring, giving, teaching and "ready to listen" lady. She is constantly interrupted by staff and patrons, because let's face it, it's the nature of the library business. Yet Judy always has a smile on her face as she helps staff and patrons get what they need.

Judy has grown with the library and participated in the technology revolution as computers came on board. She has learned a step ahead of most and has become a teacher for those around her. She even took on the website for the Garfield County Public Library District, and was the webmaster for many years. In January of 2009 she gave up her webmaster responsibilities and is making time for her involvement in the planning for construction of a new Rifle Branch Library.

Judy is always ready to impart her skills to anyone who asks. For example, she learned how to quilt and now teaches quilting classes through the library. If you are lucky enough to have taken a class with Judy you know what a patient teacher she can be. She just has the knack to teach a student in a way that they can understand.

Please come by to tell Judy congratulations on her 28 years of service! It is quite an accomplishment to go through the age of change she has and to still be on top of it all.



Judy Martens with Jerry Barlow at the recent Celtic guitarist's concert.

Donate Your Old CDs

The Rifle Branch Library is looking to become a center for music. We are already purchasing new and bestselling music CDs of all types. However, there are a million great artists out there. So we are also hoping to gather donations to add to the collection. If you are interested in sharing great music of your own with the community please look at what you have sitting on your shelves. Simply make sure each CD is in good, working condition and is in the original packaging. Thank you!



Parachute Branch Receives Grants from the Mt. Callahan Community Fund

The Parachute Branch Library recently received two grants from the Mt. Callahan Community Fund. The first grant was for \$250 to support teen book clubs. Staff at the library has used this money to establish book clubs which meet at Grand Valley High School during lunch. Anywhere from 3 to 12 teens have participated in each meeting, and they have already read 14 books! The most popular book so far has been *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins which is quite the page turner for teens and adults alike. This book club offers teens the opportunity to explore books that can both challenge them, and captivate their imaginations.

"This book club offers teens the opportunity to explore books that can both challenge them, and captivate their imaginations."

The second grant will be used for early literacy and is also in the amount of \$250. The grant will fund the purchase of bilingual books and activities which encourage parents and caregivers to read with their children. The books and activities will support the fundamentals of early literacy and will be available in the form of kits that can be easily borrowed with your library card. Look for these kits to debut this summer at the Parachute Branch Library.

Congratulations to the Parachute Branch staff for creating these wonderful programs and getting the grant money to fund them!



Be Creative with the Summer Reading Program

This summer the Garfield County Libraries want you to Be Creative. We are offering new programs and adding Activity Days to spark your imagination. This year our performers will include:

Ann Lincoln - magician and comedian
June 2nd, 3rd, & 4th

Denver Zoo - exploring animals of the world
June 16th, 17th, & 18th sponsored by EnCana

Sound Safari Theater - creating sound effects and laughter
June 29th, 30th, & July 1st *special days and times in most locations

Alonzo Kennedy - Science Gone Mad experiments
July 14th, 15th, & 16th

Joe Hays - storytelling journeys for your imagination
July 28th, 29th & 30th.



On the weeks between these events we will have Activity Days that may include bubbles, drawing, collages, chalk art, weaving, and many other fun, hands-on experiences.

As always, this program centers around reading. We will continue last year's successful 5 books - 5 hours - 5 days program which lets you choose how to track your reading. We will be giving away great books and chance for prizes for each level you complete. Registration begins May 1st online or May 26th in the library. To register, or to find more information, go to our website www.garfieldlibraries.org.

Raising a Reader

If you find yourself in the midst of a herd of tiny children in the library in the near future you are probably witnessing something special. All six Garfield County Libraries are holding Raising a Reader Blue Bag Days in April and May. During these days children from preschools and daycares all over Garfield County get a chance to experience the library - some for the first time in their lives. These children will be able to check out books with new library cards of their very own. The children have been participating in the Raising a Reader program for months. They have practiced taking home books, reading them with their families, and returning those books for new ones. Many of the children have also become

familiar with the Youth Services Librarians who have visited their classrooms and daycares during the year. The Library District and Raising a Reader partner to help foster a love of reading with the youngest members of our community. We know that once they love reading, the sky is the limit.

Visit their website at www.earlylearningfund.org for more information on Raising a Reader.



Children's Calendar of Events

April

- 2nd Kids Book Club
- NC for grades 3-5 4 p.m.
- 4th Game Day
- GCC play board games all day long
- 11th Egg-Travaganza Decorating
- GCC bring & decorate eggs 1 - 3 p.m.
- 12th **Libraries Closed** ◀ ◀
Easter
- 14th Crafting Green
- NC recycled projects 4 - 5:30 p.m.
- 15th Crafting Green
- NC recycled projects 4 - 5:30 p.m.
- 15th Evening Storytime
- GCC 6:30 p.m.
- 16th Crafting Green
- NC recycled projects 4 - 5:30 p.m.
- 18th Game Day
- GCC play board games all day long
- 21st Movie Day featuring three kids
- NC fighting to save owls 4:30 p.m.
- 21st Bedtime Storytime
- R wear PJ's 6:30 p.m.
- 24th **Libraries Closed** ◀ ◀
Staff Work Day



May

- 2nd Game Day
- GCC play board games all day long
- 7th Kids Book Club
- NC for grades 3-5 4 p.m.
- 9th Wii gaming
- R for anyone ages 8-12 1-4 p.m.
- 13th Evening Storytime
- GCC 6:30 p.m.
- 16th Game Day
- GCC play board games all day long
- 16th Families Together Craft Day
- NC 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- 25th **Libraries Closed** ◀ ◀
Memorial Day
- 30th Game Day
- GCC play board games all day long



June

- 4th Kids Book Club
- NC for grades 3-5 4 p.m.
- 13th Game Day
- GCC play board games all day long
- 17th Evening Storytime
- GCC 6:30 p.m.
- 27th Game Day
- GCC play board games all day long

KEY

- GCC - Gordon Cooper
Carbondale
- GWS - Glenwood Springs
- NC - New Castle
- S - Silt
- R - Rifle
- P - Parachute
- Registration Required



Teen & Tween Events

April

4th Game Day
 GCC play board games all day long
 9th From Carbondale to Swaziland
 GCC lecture & slide show 6:30 p.m.
 10th No More Plastic Bags!
 NC make canvas bags 1 - 4:30 p.m.
 11th Teen Video Game Club
 GWS 12 - 4 p.m.

12th **Libraries Closed** ◀ ◀
 Easter

14th Crafting Green
 NC recycled projects 4 - 5:30 p.m.

15th Plant Green
 GCC painting clay pots 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

15th Crafting Green
 NC recycled projects 4 - 5:30 p.m.

16th Crafting Green
 NC recycled projects 4 - 5:30 p.m.

17th Tween Fridays
 GWS movie matinee 3:30 p.m.

18th Game Day
 GCC play board games all day long

24th **Libraries Closed** ◀ ◀
 Staff Work Day

25th Game Day
 GCC play board games all day long

May

2nd Game Day
 GCC play board games all day long

5th Alex Project Round 2
 P 7 p.m.

9th Wii Gaming
 R for anyone ages 8-12 1-4 p.m.

9th 3D Origami Class featuring
 R Sandy Sekeres 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

15th Tween Fridays
 GWS gaming fun 3:30 p.m.

16th Teen Video Game Club
 GWS 12 - 4 p.m.

16th Game Day
 GCC play board games all day long

16th Wii Gaming for Teens
 R for anyone ages 13-17 1-4 p.m.

20th Sock Puppet Creations
 GCC 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

21st Take your iphone to the Max
 R 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

22nd Teen Dance
 GWS featuring a DJ 6 - 9 p.m.

25th **Libraries Closed** ◀ ◀
 Memorial Day

30th Game Day
 GCC play board games all day long

June

11th Youth Talent Show
 GWS 6 - 8 p.m.


13th Game Day
 GCC play board games all day long

20th Teen Video Game Club
 GWS 12 - 4 p.m.

26th Tween Fridays
 GWS movie matinee 2 p.m.

27th Game Day
 GCC play board games all day

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 Registration Required

Teen Reads 2009

This summer the Library District invites all teens to Express Yourself with our Teen Reads program. We've got events, challenges, and prizes to help make your summer extraordinary. We will offer programs and Activity Days that will give you the opportunity to show how creative you can be. Among the activities will be Henna Tattoo Creations, Make a Book Safe, and Duct Tape Expressions.

The libraries will again be sponsoring a treasure hunt in all six communities. If you searched for the hidden key last year



you know how difficult the hunt can be. But, you also may know how great the rewards are. Last year we gave away six digital cameras and twelve mp3

players in Garfield County! This year the treasure will be in new locations with new and difficult clues.

Book Club Meeting Dates

Glenwood Springs Teens

at 6 p.m. on
 April 30th,
 May 28th,
 & June 25th.

Gordon Cooper Tweens

at 4 p.m. on
 April 28th,
 May 26th,
 & June 30th.

Glenwood Springs Tweens

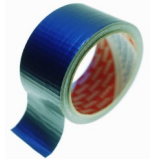
at 4 p.m. on
 April 8th,
 May 13th,
 & June 10th.



Search alone or search with a friend. Just be ready for a challenge.

Also part of the Teen Reads program will be the 5 books - 5 hours - 5 days reading program. This lets you choose how to track your reading and rewards you for opening your favorite book to relive that beloved adventure, or trying something completely new. If you aren't quite sure what to read, you can ask a librarian for a suggestion - yes, they love teen books too - or go online to see what others have to say.

Whatever your interests, we hope you check out what is going on this summer at the libraries. Registration for the program begins May 1st online or May 26th at the library. Simply go to the library's website www.garfieldlibraries.org for registration or more information.



TAG Meeting Dates

Gordon Cooper
 at 4:30 p.m. on
 April 7th,
 May 5th,
 & June 2nd.

Glenwood
 Springs
 at 4 p.m. on
 April 30th,
 May 28th,
 & June 25th.

Rifle
 at 5 p.m. on
 April 9th,
 May 14th,
 & June 11th.

Tween OMG (Our Magnificent Group)
 @ the Glenwood Springs Branch Library
 Meeting Dates:
 April 9th, May 14th, & June 18th at 4 p.m.

Database Spotlight

Enjoy Spring with New Tools for Your Green Thumb

Days are getting longer and the weather is getting warmer. Spring blooms are popping up all over. Is your green thumb tingling yet? The summer gardening season is right around the corner!

Perhaps you are interested in adding something new to your garden this year, like raised beds or a compost pile.

Maybe you want to learn which varieties of heirloom tomatoes will grow in your hardiness zone. You already know the library has lots of books on gardening, but did you realize you can also get information from the library's databases? There is an entire section of electronic resources devoted to gardening which range from university

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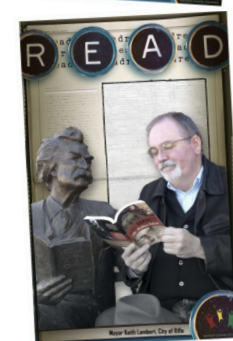
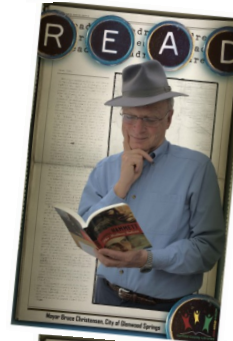
extension fact sheets to heirloom seed sources to gardening blogs. Best of all, these resources are accessible both in the library and from home through the Garfield County Libraries website, www.garfieldlibraries.org. From the library home page, click on "Databases & Learning Tools", then click on "Leisure & Lifestyle". Scroll down the page to the Gardening section, where you'll find a list of resources waiting to be explored.

Not sure which hardiness zone you live in? Look it up by zip code on the Heat Zone Finder or by an interactive map on the USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map. Did you know that communities served by the Garfield County Libraries range across hardiness zones 2 through 7? That's a lot of variety!

Looking for those delicious heirloom tomatoes? Check out the Seed Savers Exchange page to learn more about heirloom

varieties, find seed suppliers, and join the online discussion. Need some inspiration? Visit the American Public Gardens Association website to look up public gardens across North America. Ready to apply that inspiration to your back yard? Try The Garden Helper and WebGarden for fact sheets, tips, and reference materials. There's even All About Lawns which is, well, all about lawns.

Give it a try! You might find that you have a (computer) mouse that's actually good for your garden.



Mayors (from top to bottom) Michael Hassig (Carbondale), Bruce Christensen (Glenwood Springs), Dave Moore (Silt), Keith Lambert (Rifle), and Roy McClung (Parachute).

Literacy Outreach

Literacy: Just another statistic?

Numbers, numbers, numbers. They're coming at us from all directions these days, aren't they? Most of those numbers are statistics about the state of our economy, and most of them are fairly depressing.

Today we'd like to give you a look at one statistic that, at first glance, might seem just as dismal as all the others. It's exactly the opposite, though.



First, a bit of a definition. "Literacy" is commonly divided into six groups, from Level 1 (*Pre-Emergent*, where a person has almost no skills that include the ability to read) to Level 6 (*Orthographic*, wherein the reader has highly sophisticated and complex understanding of written language).

So, here's the statistic: **43% of adults at Level 1 literacy skills live in poverty compared to only 4% of those at Level 5** (*Conventional*, using literacy to understand, express ideas, and do most communication). Imagine that: 43% compared to 4% of people in poverty! Sounds bleak, doesn't it?

But think of it this way: if we can lift those people from Level 1 to Level 5 we will have significantly improved the lives of millions of people. A relatively small number of adults are as low as Level 1. Many are higher (Emergent, Novice, or Experimenting) and simply need encouragement and one-on-one time with an

understanding person at their side. Too, many of the lower level adults are non-English speakers, ready to bloom as their English improves.

Enter Literacy Outreach. Our sole purpose is to help adults become literate so that their lives are improved. We train volunteers to teach skills to adults who cannot read or

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