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Let's Continue Reading the Summer Away

Have you registered for this year's Summer Reading Program at the libraries? So far over 2,800 of your friends and neighbors have. Children are reading and donating food to local animal shelters, teens are learning how to harness the power of spray paint, and adults are enjoying concerts... all at the libraries. Are you a part of the fun yet?



Teens & adults can win 1 of 12 Kindle Fires!

The program is simple, and it takes only minutes to get the whole family registered. Children who read for 5 days get their choice of prizes ranging from books, to coupons donated by local businesses, to helping needy animals by donating food.

In addition to a Book Buck, for every 5 days of reading, teens get an entry into the weekly drawing, and adults get one entry into the biweekly drawing for valuable prizes. Then, at the end of the summer, each library will be giving away a Kindle Fire to one lucky teen and one lucky adult who read during the summer. You'll want to turn in as many entries as possible because the Fire is a powerful little toy which allows you to download books instantly, check your email, and surf the web.

So stop by the library and pick up your reading log bookmark today and get reading.



Discover Earth is Here, Are You?

Discover something fabulous in Garfield County! The Rifle Branch Library was one of 10 libraries nationally chosen to host the travelling exhibit, Discover Earth: A Century of Change.

Discover Earth is a museum-quality exhibit featuring interactive, multimedia displays such as a revolving computerized globe, multi-touch computers, simulation-based educational games, and more. Through Discover Earth, you will learn how environmental changes affect the atmosphere, hydrosphere (the oceans, rivers, lakes, and groundwater), cryosphere (earth's frozen water), geosphere (soil and rocks), and biosphere (all living things). There's something for everyone from kids to adults.

In addition to the exhibit itself, the Rifle Branch Library will be hosting an array of programming. Some events are for

adults, others for children, and still more are geared for families. Adults can learn ways the agriculture industry is working to conserve water. Adults can also discover the history of Rifle's uranium and vanadium milling. There are even events featuring climate change and the Snowmass fossil dig. Additionally, for children and families there are events about birds of prey, bats, and mammal skulls which will teach and engage.

When you visit the library, you will also notice photographer Peter McBride's and author Jonathan Waterman's photo exhibit, *The Colorado River: Flowing Through Conflict*. Together, Waterman and McBride began the Colorado River Project in 2007 and have since created an impressive body of work including an award-winning film, two award-winning books, and the travelling photo exhibit.

Discover Earth will be in Rifle until August 17th - don't miss it! It's like having a science museum in our own backyard.



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Update from the Director

It's a GO!

A new library for Carbondale won approval from the Carbondale Town Council in April. Willis Pember Architects is designing the new library and Humphries Polis Architecture is designing the library interiors.

The new library at the corner of Sopris Avenue and Third Street will include a new 13,000 square foot library, a "story quarry" for kids, a sculpture garden, and a 100 person meeting room that will double as a quiet reading area. The project is slated to break ground in July 2012. The library will feature three study rooms, separate teen, children's and adult areas, as well as some innovative features such as a "You-media" type space for producing content for books, magazines, movies, music and more.



Library Board members break ground on the new Glenwood Springs Branch Library.

will not be seeking Leadership in Energy and Environmental (LEED) certification, we will be following the LEED checklist to ensure that we minimize the project's impact. We will be recycling concrete from the old tennis courts into pavers for the sculpture garden, incorporating local materials into the interiors, and evaluating the use of a solar array on the roof. We are also seeking to engage local artists into the process and will be offering a Call for Artists later this summer for such features as bike racks, gates, pillars, and furnishings.

The Silt Branch Library broke ground March 9, 2012 and will open on October 6, 2012.

It is located right next door to the existing library. The architect is Oz Architecture and the contractor is FCI, Inc.

The building features an expandable meeting room to accommodate larger events (with a huge garage door!), as well as two study rooms, unique children's and teen spaces, and a plaza between the existing Silt Town Hall and the new library. The plaza will feature 28 concrete "books." Donors will have an opportunity to name their favorite title and author as part of the installation. We are planning a community Book Brigade to move the library from the old building to the new and will be looking for volunteers in mid-September to help with the move.

The Glenwood Springs Branch Library broke ground on May 8th, and there is now a big hole at the corner of Cooper Avenue and 8th Street. The building was designed by Humphries Polis Architecture with Willis Pember Architecture assisting as the local architect. The new library will be 14,000 square feet and feature a meeting room for 200, three study rooms, a conference room and expansive areas for children and adults. Teens will have a special area, and local teens have participated in several focus groups to share their ideas about the new library.

The building will have a second floor that will be shared with Colorado Mountain

College for future expansion. There is also a 5,000 square foot community plaza on the south end of the structure. We hope to be open by September 2013.

More information about our construction projects is available on our website at www.gcpld.org/construction.

We welcome your questions and comments.

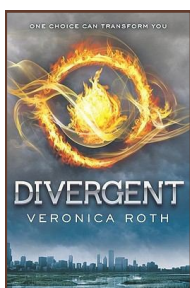


The new Silt Branch Library is taking shape quickly.



This project is being designed with sustainability in mind. Although we

Book Recommendations from Staff Members



Divergent

by Veronica Roth

The setting for *Divergent* is a dystopian Chicago, where all 16 year olds must take an aptitude test to determine in which of five 'factions' they will live permanently. Beatrice shows aptitudes for several, which makes her a Divergent and dangerous! Her choice and training are the subject of *Divergent*, and the sequel, *Insurgent* delves more deeply into the breakdown of this perfect society.

Roth keeps the action relentless, and does not shy away from violence. Be forewarned; it's likely one of your favorite characters won't make it to the end. I loved the inventiveness of the factioned society and the idea that labeling people and pigeon-holing them can have disastrous consequences.

The teen characters are believable human beings, strong, yet displaying some of the gullibility of the young.

I heartily recommend *Divergent* as a good read for anyone who enjoys dystopian fiction, and depending on how badly you want to know what becomes of Tris and her friends, you can go on to read *Insurgent*.

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-Michelle Duran, Parachute Branch

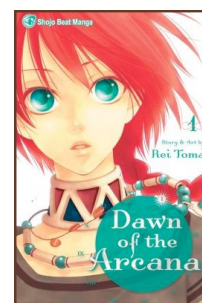
Dawn of Arcana (Series)

by Rei Toma

In order to quell the 200 year war with the neighboring county of Belquat, Princess Nakaba of Senan has been sold...eeerr, married off to Prince Caesar, a good looking, but selfish and possessive young man.

Hidden away, Nakaba has led a solitary existence in a tower built for one with only Loki (her half human, half animal attendant) for company. Somehow, Nakaba must find her path through this malevolent world she finds herself in, but will Caesar join her?

This is an intriguing manga with a strong female lead who is not afraid to stand up for what she believes in, even at the cost of her life. Love triangles complicate the matter when Nakaba is torn between her loyalty to Loki and her building feelings for Caesar, not to mention that Caesar has past flames of his own! Throw in supernatural powers and a tyrannical king and you've got the perfect mix of romance, action, and fantasy. Besides, you can't go wrong with cute boys with animal ears!



-Megan Hagenson, Parachute Branch

Old Photos Needed

A Century of Change: Then and Now in Photos

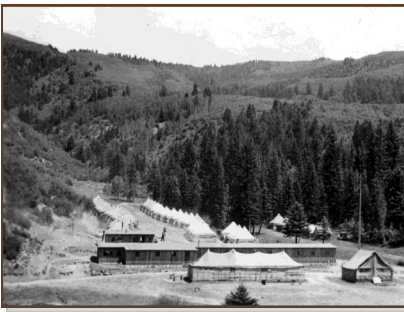


Image courtesy of the Rifle Creek Museum.

Has this season been colder or warmer than in years past? Has your community seen other changes to wetlands and wildlife? The Environmental Photo Wall tells the story of change in Garfield County.

The Discover Earth exhibit offers community members the opportunity to share photos as part of the Environmental

Image Wall & Discover Earth Photo Contest.

How to Participate

Step 1: Choose Your Photos

Step 2: Submit Your Photos by 12 p.m. on July 31st

Digital Photos: email to gcpldadmin@gcpld.org

Print Photos: bring to any Garfield County Library location

All photos must have your name, telephone number, and a title for the photo.

Step 3: Look for Your Photos Online & at the Rifle Branch Library

Step 4: Get Your Friends and Family to Vote August 1-10

Prizes

The Grand Prize Winner will be honored at the Final Celebration for the Discover Earth exhibit on August 17th, be recognized on Garfield County Libraries' website and in its quarterly newsletter, and receive a copy of *The Colorado River: Flowing Through Conflict* signed by authors Peter McBride and Jonathan Waterman.



For a full set of contest rules visit our website.



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Meet Your Librarian

Kelsy Been
Grant Coordinator
Administration

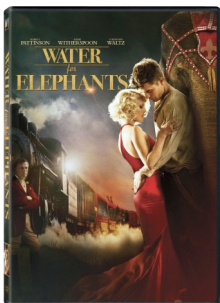


Kelsy Been is the Grant Coordinator for the Garfield County Libraries, aka the libraries' grant-writing-wizard-extraordinaire. Kelsy works tirelessly to find funding for the many programs the Library District hosts. She is responsible for bringing the "GoToWorkshops@YourLibrary" program to the libraries through a LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) grant awarded last fall. One of Kelsy's greatest grant writing achievements to date is securing the Discover Earth Exhibit: only 10 libraries around the country were selected for this museum-quality exhibit. The Rifle Branch Library will host Discover Earth from June 21st to August 17th. The Library District is excited to bring this exhibit to the people of Garfield County!

Kelsy is a Colorado native who started life in the small town of Naturita, and then moved to Rifle when she was a teenager. After leaving Rifle High School, she headed back east where she graduated from Amherst College in Massachusetts; earning a Bachelors' in psychology. Kelsy and Chester Been, her beloved puppy, like hiking, long walks in the park, and playing in the Colorado River. She also enjoys cooking, skiing, crocheting, and playing Scrabble. In June, she became a first-time homeowner. Kelsy is an avid reader and has just completed *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain.

Look for Kelsy at Scrabble club, hosted by the Glenwood Springs Library the first Tuesday of every month.

Movie and Music Recommendation from Staff Members



Water for Elephants (2011)

Ever feel frustrated over your favorite book being ripped apart by a movie producer? They left too much out, altered a character, or changed the whole feeling of a story? While *Water for Elephants* cannot explore every storyline in-depth, it is a movie that stays true to the story. So, if you loved the book you'll get to relive this wonderful tale in a whole new way.

If you haven't read the book, let's just say you are in for a treat.

Robert Pattinson, Reese Witherspoon and Christoph Waltz combine to bring the struggles and emotions of their characters to life. Waltz is spot-on with his portrayal of August, and makes this man human - and at the same time a monster.

This is also a visually magnificent movie. Not overdone, but also just spectacular enough to be in line with a circus theme. It's a great movie, especially for a date night, because it will captivate both men and women.

-Emily Hisel, Administration

Lungs

by Florence + the Machine



I first discovered Florence + the Machine in 2010 when I bought *The Twilight Saga: Eclipse* soundtrack; which featured the song "Heavy in Your Arms." Whimsical and magical, this breath of fresh air is lead by singer Florence Welch. Her debut album *Lungs* is a musical feast for the ears by weaving harps, strings, fireworks, bits of metal, and a vast array of sound trinkets. On her website, Florence is described as a walking contradiction when writing lyrics; floating in between her conscious and subconscious mind.

Florence + the Machine provides a break from reality in every note played. I can hear her letting go of her conscious mind; through her captivating, unforgettable voice and haunting melodies.

Please check out her albums: *Lungs* and *Ceremonials*, available at Garfield County Libraries. *Spectrum*, her third album, will drop July 8th, 2012.

-Becky Sirotek, Administration

More Content Takes Center Stage

In efforts to bring you greater in-depth information about your libraries, the format of this newsletter has changed. The calendar has been removed to make room for additional reviews, pictures of construction projects, and more information about big events. If you would like an up-to-date calendar please visit our website, www.gcpld.org. Visit your local branch to learn about exciting upcoming events!

Halfway Complete!

The Garfield County Libraries have recently reached a huge milestone in efforts to fulfill promises made on the 2006 ballot. In April, the New Castle Branch Library reopened its doors to the public after an extensive remodel. This library joined the libraries in Rifle and Parachute as being the first three libraries to be remodeled or rebuilt. Yes, that's three new libraries completed!

What's even more impressive is that the other three branches will all be completed by the end of 2013! The Silt Branch Library is enjoying a breakneck construction pace, with Glenwood Springs now underway, and Carbondale breaking ground soon.

As we celebrate this halfway milestone let's take a look at construction photos from each of the projects.



Lucky Day Books Hit the Shelves

In efforts to make popular materials more accessible, the Garfield County Libraries have recently instituted Lucky Day books. These books are now available at many of the libraries in the county.

Lucky Day books consist of popular items and bestsellers. The idea is to make more copies of these titles available so the libraries can get books into the hands of waiting library patrons quicker. Lucky Day books cannot be put on hold. So, if you stop by your local library and spot a Lucky Day book that you have been excited to read... it's your lucky day!

Lucky Day books are not available for renewal. This is to foster quicker turnarounds, and is another way the Libraries are making Lucky Day books available for more people.

Generally, all the Lucky Day books will also have additional copies in the Libraries' general collection. This way you can still put a hold on the book you are looking for, even if you can't find it on any of the shelves.

Sign up for the Newsletter

Did you know you can get this quarterly newsletter, Page by Page, emailed or mailed to you when it's still hot off the presses? Sign up by giving your name and address (email or postal mail) to any library staff member. You can also email your request to gcpldadmin@gcpld.org. It's that simple!

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The Honey Dewdrops are Back!

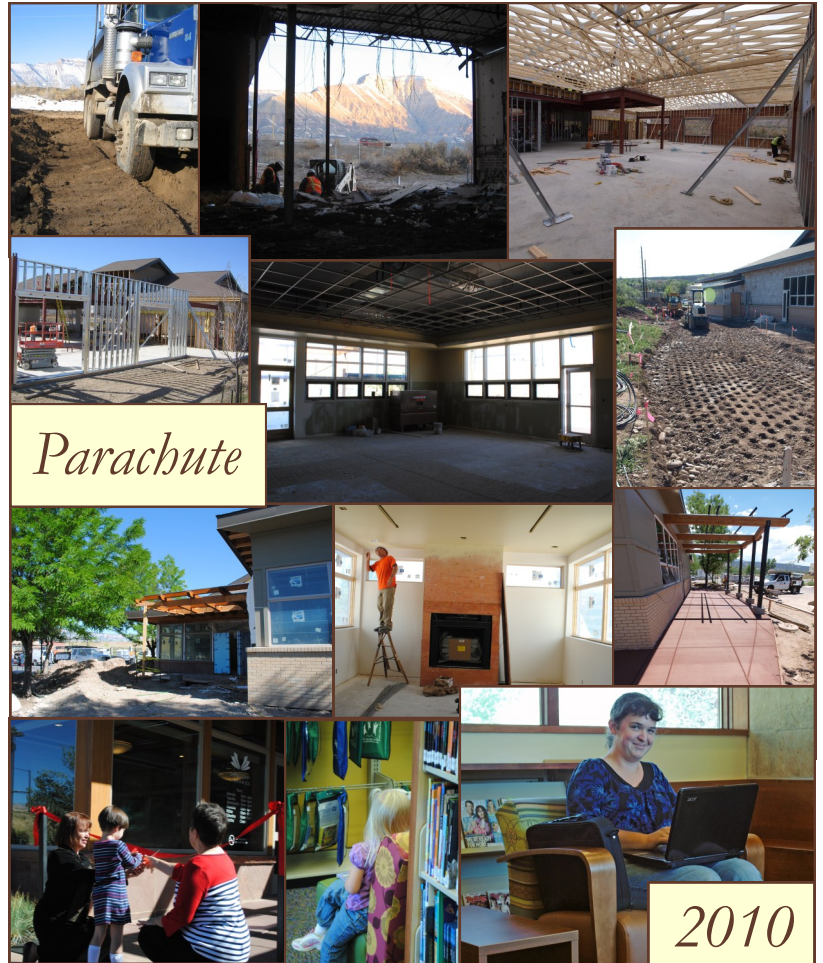
The Honey Dewdrops, winners of "A Prairie Home Companion's" *Talented People in their Twenties* contest, will be returning to the Garfield County Libraries this summer. With the release of their new CD, "Silver Lining," in June, this talented duo is sure to bring some fresh new melodies for everyone to enjoy. They have been touring the country over the past four years and have received rave reviews. Come listen for yourself and find out why the libraries are so thrilled to host The Honey Dewdrops once again.

Laura Wortman and Kagey Parrish make up the harmonies of *The Honey Dewdrops*.

Glenwood Springs Branch Library
July 16th at 7 p.m.

Rifle Branch Library
July 17th at 6 p.m.

New Castle Branch Library
July 18th at 7 p.m.



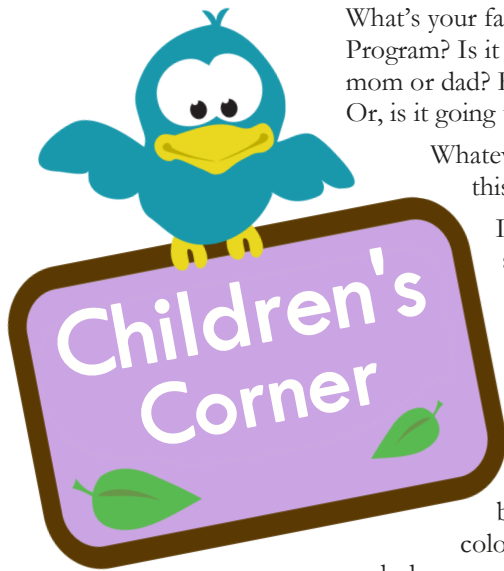
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Want easy access to your Garfield County Libraries on the go? Download our free smartphone app, GCPLD 2 Go, and the materials and services of the libraries will be in the palm of your hand! To download the app go to gcpld.boopsie.com from your smartphone.

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Enjoying the Summer Through Reading



What's your favorite part of the Summer Reading Program? Is it reading your favorite book with your mom or dad? Exploring new books by yourself? Or, is it going to the library for an event?

Whatever excites you, the libraries hope this year's program is the best yet.

If you haven't signed up yet there is still plenty of time. It's easy and fun. Just stop in at your local library and pick up a reading log bookmark. Then color in an animal for each day you read. After 5 days of reading 20 minutes a day, bring in your reading log for a prize. You can choose between books, coupons, and donating food to a dog or cat at the animal shelter. Just remember that all reading logs are due by August 4th.

You might know that the libraries have all sorts of events this summer including musicians and puppeteers who perform throughout the county as part of the Summer Reading Program. But, you

might not know we have much more going on at each individual library.

Do you like ice cream? The Silt, Rifle, Glenwood Springs, Gordon Cooper, and New Castle libraries are hosting ice cream parties in July and August. Are you excited about the Olympics? Well, you'll be thrilled to hear there will be Olympic Summer

Reading Games in Carbondale. There will also be a talent show in New Castle and dance workshop in Rifle. All these events are open to all kids, so if you are interested in programs in another town, we'd love to have you come!

So make this summer

amazing by joining the Garfield County Libraries' Summer Reading Program. Let's enjoy reading and Dream Big this summer! Check out our online calendar at www.gcpld.org/calendar for more information.



Carbondale-based Out of the Mud Theatre kicked off the Summer Reading Program throughout the county with imaginative puppet shows.



Database Spotlight

Consumer Health Complete

A health care professional is ALWAYS the best source for information that is medical in nature; however, there are times when you want information on a health-related topic and it doesn't necessarily make sense to call your doctor. Maybe you heard about a new strain of flu virus on the news and you would like to know more about it, or maybe a friend has a type of cancer you've never heard of and you just don't want to ask her for the details.

Of course you could always go to good old Google, but misinformation and disinformation on health related topics is rampant on the Internet. Where can you turn?

Luckily for you the library subscribes to a number of databases with health information for consumers. One of the best resources is Consumer Health Complete (CHC). CHC combines the full text of more than 250 health reference books, thousands of reports, articles, and pamphlets, and hundreds of medical images, diagrams, and videos.

In addition to information on traditional medicine, CHC offers resources on alternative medicine. From acupuncture to magnet therapy, yoga to medicinal herbs, the material in CHC can be trusted.

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Not sure what pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis means? Look it up! Consumer Health Complete has a useful medical dictionary that comes in handy when deciphering medical records. Sorry, but it can't help you read your doctor's handwriting.

If you are familiar with the concept of TLTR (too long to read), you will probably want to check out the videos and animations on CHC. Thinking about LASIK surgery? Watch the 10 minute video "Is Laser Eye Surgery Right for You?" If you want the REAL scoop on what to expect when you're expecting, CHC includes more than 100 videos on pregnancy and childbirth.

CHC is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. If you have a health emergency, you should always seek the advice of a health professional.

To access Consumer Health Complete, go to our website at www.gcpld.org. Then click on the "Research" tab and then "Health & Medicine" in the left sidebar. From that page, you can click on "Consumer Health Complete." You will need your library card to log in.

For assistance using Consumer Health Complete, or any of our other databases, contact your local branch library (you can find the contact information on the back cover).

Teen & Tween Spot

Summer Events for Everyone

What's not to like about summer? A break from school, sunny days, and long nights all combine to provide a perfect atmosphere for a good time. Sometimes the best way to spend a few hours is with a good book and a shady tree. Other times you might want more excitement, or a chance to get together with friends.

Luckily, this year the libraries have an array of events for you to choose from. You can catch a free movie on a giant screen in New Castle, Rifle, and Glenwood Springs this July. Or, you can express yourself during Teen Open Mic in Glenwood Springs. How about an afternoon of Wii gaming and ice cream in New Castle? Or, there will even be Bowling for Books at the Burning Mountain Bowl, featuring bowlers from Silt and New Castle.

If you are part of The Alex Project this year, don't miss the celebration dinners at the end of the summer. This is where you'll get to meet everyone involved in the program and discuss the fantastic books you've been reading.

And don't forget, every time you turn in a reading log bookmark you get a Book Buck, an entry into the weekly prize drawing, and entry into the end-of-summer drawing for a Kindle Fire. If you haven't signed up there is still time. We will be accepting reading logs until August 4th. Each library is giving away a Fire to one lucky teen this year. The more logs you complete, the better your chances of winning!



Literacy Outreach

Changing lives one word at a time.

Building Literacy

We have all noticed the construction project going on at 8th and Cooper in Glenwood Springs. Soon a beautiful new library will appear out of the foundation. A bit of traffic inconvenience forgotten, we will be able to make free use of books and computers, research assistance, leisure activity and all kinds of community goings-on. The area will be full of action and our lives will be richer.

This construction brings to mind another large-scale building project that took place in 2000-2001 when our new Garfield County jail was built. Similar construction projects in size, extremely different in function. But a close connection exists between libraries and jails, one we may already be aware of. It's this:

"Literacy Outreach volunteers work hard to help adults improve their reading and math skills. They know there are hidden rewards in higher literacy for our entire community."

Inmates have among the lowest academic skills and literacy rates of any segment of society. (Correction Education Data Guidebook, U.S. Department of Education). Study after study, statistic heaped upon statistic proves startling connections between jail time and illiteracy. Here are just a few facts:

-The U.S. has the highest documented incarceration rate in the world.

-In 2008, one of every 48 working age men was in prison or jail.

-If the male high school graduation rate were increased by just 5%, annual crime-related savings to the nation would be approximately 5 billion dollars.

-Both male and female prison inmates had lower average scores on all three literacy scales (prose, document, and quantitative) than adults of the same gender living in households. Fifty-six percent of prisoners had Below Basic or Basic prose literacy skills.*

Literacy Outreach volunteers work hard to help adults improve their reading and math skills.

They know there are hidden rewards in higher literacy for our entire community. We all fare

better when more of us can be employed in good jobs, when we can set goals to improve our lives, when we can help our children with their schoolwork and when we can stay out of trouble.

Literacy Outreach has had its office in the Glenwood Springs Branch Library for 18 years, and for that we are thankful. One of Literacy Outreach's goals is to keep some people out of that 2001 construction project and have more of them take part in Glenwood's 2012 project. We'll watch the digging with excitement, and we'll all keep working.

-Terrie Drake, literacy volunteer

*For more information and sources of these statistics, contact Martha Fredendall, executive director of Literacy Outreach at mfredendall@rof.net.

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Fri. & Sat. 10-5 Sunday Closed

Glenwood Springs 970-945-5958

Mon. & Wed. 10-6 Tues. & Thurs. 10-8
Fri. & Sat. 10-5 Sunday 1-5

New Castle 970-984-2346

Mon. & Wed. 10-6 Tues. & Thurs. 10-8
Fri. & Sat. 10-5 Sunday Closed

Silt 970-876-5500

Mon. & Wed. 10-6 Tues. & Thurs. 10-8
Fri. & Sat. 10-5 Sunday Closed

Rifle 970-625-3471

Mon. & Wed. 10-6 Tues. & Thurs. 10-8
Fri. & Sat. 10-5 Sunday 1-5

Parachute 970-285-9870

Mon. & Wed. 10-6 Tues. & Thurs. 10-8
Fri. & Sat. 10-5 Sunday Closed

The libraries are closed on most
Federal holidays



OverDrive Advantage Has Arrived!

More eBooks Available in Garfield County

Thanks to a generous donation by the Friends of the Rifle Library, patrons of the Garfield County Libraries now have access to more eBooks than ever before.

OverDrive is where the libraries get our eBooks and downloadable audiobooks and videos. All library patrons in the county have access to a wide variety of titles. However, we are part of the Marmot network, so other library patrons also have access to the same titles.



With OverDrive Advantage, the Garfield County Libraries can now purchase additional copies of popular titles and have them available just for our patrons.

You can find eBooks by clicking the OverDrive button on the bottom of our homepage, or through our catalog at www.gcpld.org. If you go through our catalog simply search by title, author, or keyword and you'll get a list of relevant books. Then filter those results by clicking the "Downloadable" button near the top of the page. Once you find a book, click on it. If the title is available you



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What's great about OverDrive Advantage is

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