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Noteworthy Achievements & Improvements

**Innovation & Technology**

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Love that book? Let the world know. Library customers can now share reviews and tag records through our online catalog.

Our library’s collection can now be seen by a world-wide audience through worldcat.org, a collaborative international, online catalog.

Wii gaming events were offered for families, children, teens and senior adults.

Helping You Be Green: Our new Power Check program provides Kill-A-Watt meters for checkout.

Boulder Public Library began a partnership with Better World Books to help both our library and literacy efforts around the world. Find out more at betterworldbooks.org.

**Collections**

More access to books and media: in 2009 we doubled the number of library items you can place on hold! Our community loved it. We saw a 21% increase in holds filled.

Download it! We added downloadable access to PBS videos.

History at your fingertips: Library customers can scan and e-mail historical articles on a new microfilm reader at the Carnegie Branch Library. 7061 additional historic photographic images are now available through the Library’s online catalog. Carnegie Branch Library staff catalogued and scanned all archived reports, surveys and photographs of structures older than 50 years in the City of Boulder.


**Programs, Experiences and Outreach**

“The Techie Is In.” This new project lead by Library Innovation & Technology Staff allows community members to find about more technology, online applications and techno gadgetry in a welcoming, helpful environment. All techy questions and curiosities—big and small—are welcome!

Pulse Point at the Library: This program and experience initiative consists of focused opportunities to engage and delight Library customers of all ages by providing a place to learn, create something new, interact with one another, as well as explore information and art in new ways.

“The Ditch Project”: As part of Boulder’s Sesquicentennial anniversary, a month-long exhibit in the Canyon Gallery explored 150 years of Boulder’s irrigation ditches and how they constructed the landscape. Featured works by 42 painters, sculptors and photographers and drew hundreds of visitors daily.

Librarians-at-Large: This new initiative takes library services into the community. Library staff members are available to offer information and library cards on-the-spot at community gatherings.

Read to the Dog! Young readers practiced reading with a certified therapy dog each month.

Arts & Cultural Programs Manager Donna Gartenmann won the 2009 Daily Camera Pacesetter Award for the Arts — recognition of her lengthy work enriching the arts community.

Small business assistance: BPL’s Business Reference Librarians provided 5-20 small business consultations per month, and weekly Business Start-Up classes.

Job Search Help: The Library offered jobseekers assistance through workshops focused on updating your resume, and social media resources for job searching; a Job and Careers resource center online and at the Main Library; and drop-in job hunting help with a Reference Librarian.

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