

**GARFIELD COUNTY  
PUBLIC LIBRARY  
DISTRICT**

**2007 ANNUAL REPORT**



Garfield County Public Library District  
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**MISSION**

*We are passionate about making a difference in our community, one person at a time, by enriching lives and empowering people through relevant, accessible, high-quality library services.*

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## HIGHLIGHTS

Thanks to the voters' approval of two ballot issues in the fall of 2006, Garfield County Public Library District was formed as of January 1, 2007. The District worked extensively with all six communities to develop a strategic plan that will carry the libraries through 2011 and will assist in moving forward with new and remodeled facilities.



**Silt** Branch Manager Janine Rose was named as one of 13 national winners of the New York Times Librarian of the Year Award. She was nominated by Jenny Zetah, who wrote, "Our small branch library has a wonderful reputation as the most welcoming library around. This is due to Janine's positive nature, her willingness to help anyone who walks into the library, and the smile that is always on her face."

The **Rifle** Branch Library opened a new teen area with the help of their Teen Advisory Group, featuring books, magazines, comics, and comfy furniture, and in December purchased a new microfilm reader/printer for the local history collection.

The **Glenwood Springs** Branch partnered with local muralist Renick Stevenson to create "The Community Mural Project." The ten portable 8-foot-long mural panels were hung in the library and represent the community's past, present, and future. Over 200 individuals, ranging in age from 18 months to 84 years old, provided images and helped to paint the murals.

The **Parachute** Branch hosted the district's first-ever Adult Summer Reading program with 115 participants who read a total of 2,716 hours following the theme *Get a Clue*.

The **New Castle** Branch Library participated in the Kosovo/Colorado Reciprocal Mural Project, co-sponsored by New Hope Global Action and the Town of New Castle, by having a mural painted on the front of the building, facing Main Street. The visiting artists felt the mountains were much like those at home in Kosovo and saw the mural as having a friendship and brotherhood theme.



**Carbondale's** Gordon Cooper Branch Library hosted One Book, One Town featuring Greg Mortenson's *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time*, about his efforts to build schools for girls in rural Afghanistan. The program raised over \$29,000 for his foundation and reached over 1,800 people, including children in grades 6 and up.

Garfield County Public Library District welcomed new Executive Director Amelia Shelley in December. She brings 13 years of library experience and a passion for excellence in public service.

## GARFIELD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

### 2007 Board of Trustees

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 Janine Rose — Silt Branch Manager  
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## GENERAL INFORMATION & STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Population served:	53,020
Number of Branches:	6
Number of Staff:	57
Registered Borrowers:	30,082
Reference Questions:	45,211
Total Collection:	143,181
Materials added:	23,495

Branch	Circulation	Holds	Visitors	Programs
Carbondale	46,905	2,312	79,956	98
Glenwood Springs	68,692	4,173	87,232	101
New Castle	58,223	4,767	46,117	104
Silt	32,239	2,266	31,822	49
Rifle	63,248	3,973	59,714	154
Parachute	35,172	3,101	34,035	77
<b>Total</b>	<b>304,479</b>	<b>20,592</b>	<b>33,876</b>	<b>583</b>

### SERVICES ADDED IN 2007

- Access to 16 databases including Morningstar, Chilton's, and Britannica Online, as well as several electronic resources including Dear Reader, Live Homework Help, Overdrive, and Tumblebooks.
- A new, user-friendly web site!
- Sunday hours from 1 to 5 pm at our Glenwood Springs and Rifle Branches.

## 2007 REVENUE AND EXPENSES

## BRANCH LOCATIONS AND HOURS

### **Gordon Cooper Branch Library**

76 S. 4th St., Carbondale, CO 81623  
(970) 963-2889

Mon: 10-8    Tue: 10-6    Wed: 10-8  
Thur: 10-6    Fri: 8-5    Sat: 10-5

### **Glenwood Springs Branch Library**

413 9th St., Glenwood Springs, CO 81601  
(970) 945-5958

Mon: 10-6    Tue: 10-8    Wed: 10-6  
Thur: 10-8    Fri: 10-5    Sat: 10-5  
Sun: 1-5

### **New Castle Branch Library**

402 W. Main, New Castle, CO 81647  
(970) 984-2346

Mon: 10-6    Tue: 10-8    Wed: 10-6  
Thur: 10-8    Fri: 10-5    Sat: 10-5

### **Silt Branch Library**

600 Home Ave., Silt, CO 81652  
(970) 876-5500

Mon: 10-6    Tue: 10-8    Wed: 10-6  
Thur: 10-8    Fri: 10-5    Sat: 10-5

### **Rifle Branch Library**

107 E. 2nd St., Rifle, CO 81650  
(970) 625-3471

Mon: 10-6    Tue: 10-8    Wed: 10-6  
Thur: 10-8    Fri: 10-5    Sat: 10-5  
Sun: 1-5

### **Parachute Branch Library**

244 Grand Valley Way, Parachute, CO 81635  
(970) 285-9870

Mon: 10-6    Tue: 10-8    Wed: 10-6  
Thur: 10-8    Fri: 10-5    Sat: 10-5

All six branch libraries depend on Friends Groups to assist with programs, volunteer for projects, and host used book sales. In 2007, these groups raised an additional \$32,393 that allowed the library district to buy equipment and books and enhance programming.