

**BULGARIAN/COLORADO LIBRARY PARTNERSHIP
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The Bulgarians are coming! Nine Bulgarians, all from our partner libraries are coming to visit Colorado. By the time you read this, Bulgarian librarians will have visited Arapahoe Library District, Aurora Public Library, Lone Tree Branch of Douglas Public Library District, Denver Medical Center, Boulder Public Library, Jefferson County Public Library and Eagle Valley Library District. They will have been toured, wined, dined, gifted, and generally shown the best of Colorado. More details of the trip in the next issue.

Our Colorado project is getting national recognition. The International Relations Round Table quarterly newsletter *International Leads* asked for a short article with pictures for their June issue. Then *Advances in Librarianship* asked for a 20-30 page article for this fall. Working with Snezhana Ianeva at the American Embassy in Bulgaria, we applied to do a Poster Session at ALA and were accepted.

Our Librarian trip to Bulgaria this June will be small but important. Lisa Cole, DU Graduate student, will accompany me and others to Bulgaria on May 29th. She is doing her capstone project on the B/C Library Partnership project. While there, she will visit three partner libraries and interview staff. She will be interviewing the Colorado partners of these projects before we leave. Colorado librarians being interviewed will be Donna Morris from Arkansas Valley (partner of the Plovdiv library), Trish O'Borne, Jefferson County Public Library (Sofia library), and Patty Gibbons, Eagle Library District (Veliko Turnovo library).

While in Bulgaria, Lisa will also be making a presentation at the Bulgarian Library Association conference on library ethics and I will be receiving an Award Certificate from the Bulgarian Library Association for the Colorado Association of Libraries.

Below are two pictures, one of the librarians coming to Colorado and one of our partner libraries who will be hosting them.

