## Poudre library going to White House summit

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(Photo: Courtesy photo)

The Poudre River Public Library District will be represented during a White House summit on getting library cards into the hands of children.

Holly Carroll, executive director of the district, will attend the daylong summit Tuesday sponsored by the White House and the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

About 100 people representing 44 communities from around the country are expected to attend the summit, Carroll said.

Participants will share ideas and best practices for building partnerships with public schools with the goal of making sure children have access to learning materials through library cards, Carroll said. The summit is part of President Obama's ConnectED Initiative.

The Poudre library district has had success building a program with CSU that allows RamCard holders to use

them as library cards.

The opt-in program is actively marketed to incoming Colorado State University students, she said. Students enjoy using the public libraries for studying, recreational reading and accessing popular digital media.

"We serve everybody: It's been very successful," she said.

The district is working on creating a similar program with Poudre School District but has run into some security concerns, she said. The summit might provide insight into how to achieve a program.

"I'm hoping to get some good ideas I can bring back," Carroll said.

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# Poudre Library board applicants sought





(Photo: Kevin Duggan)

Fort Collins and Larimer County officials are seeking applications to fill two openings on the seven-member Poudre River Public Library District Board of Trustees.

The board provides policy oversight and supervision of libraries within the district, including their budgets.

Trustees must be residents within the district's legal service boundaries. The deadline to apply has been extended to noon Feb. 1.

Applications may be filed online at http://www.larimer.org/library/application\_form.cfm. Applications may be picked and returned to the County Commissioner's Office, 200 W. Oak St., in Fort Collins, or the City Clerk's

Office, 300 Laporte Ave.

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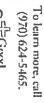
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interested in serving as a trustee on the Poudre River Library District board FORT COLLINS — Larimer County and Fort Collins officials are seeking applications for anyone

from Larimer County. Trustees serve for four-year terms provide policy oversight and supervision of the libraries as well as the budget, according to a news release The volunteer Board of Trustees is composed of seven members who govern the library district — they

to www.larimer.org/library(http://www.larimer.org/library) To be eligible to apply, applicants must live within the service boundaries of the district. To see a map, go

Applications are due by noon Monday, Jan. 25. Officials hope to select a new board member in time for the March 1 meeting, according to the news release

Applications can either be found online at <a href="https://www.larimer.org/library/">www.larimer.org/library/</a>) Oak St. in Fort Collins or to the city of Fort Collins Clerk's Office at 300 LaPorte Ave or they can be picked up and turned in at the Larimer Board of County Commissioners Office at 200 W

them confidential, the release states. All applications could be subject to the Colorado Open Records Act, so applicants shouldn't consider

300 LaPorte Avenue. For further information on the Library District and the role of a library trustee, please visit <a href="www.PoudreLibraries.org/board">www.PoudreLibraries.org/board</a> (http://www.PoudreLibraries.org/board).

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Elected officials from Fort Collins City Council and the Board of Larimer County Commissioners will review Board applicants to fill the vacancy for a 4-year term on the Board for the Poudre River Public Library District. The Board of Trustees is looking to have the new member seated for the March 1, 2016 board meeting.

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# Bill Bryson to speak as part of Morgan Library Author Series

by Christina Vessa | February 3, 2016 12:37 PM



Humorous tales of hiking the Appalachian Trail and opinions on the best and worst about Britain will be discussed by travel author and humorist Bill Bryson at Colorado State University.

Bryson will speak at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 6, as part of the Colorado State University Morgan Library[1] Author Series. The event will be in the CSU Lory Student Center[2] Grand Ballroom on campus. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

General admission tickets are \$55, \$25 for CSU students with ID, and signed hardcover copies of Bryson's new book, *The Road to Little Dribbling*, will be available for purchase.

A limited number of gold reserved tickets, which include priority seating, a catered reception in the LSC Theatre following the presentation, a hardcover copy of *The Road to Little Dribbling*, and a chance to meet Bill Bryson, will be available for \$110.

All tickets are available through CSUTIX.com[3].

Free parking on campus will be available in the Morgan Library lot (accessed from Shields and Pitkin streets) and the Engineering lot (off Laurel and Meldrum streets). The Lory Student Center is a short walk from either the Laurel Street or University Avenue MAX Bus Rapid Transit Service[4] stations.

As an internationally recognized author, Bryson will describe his experiences in witty detail. His newest adventure book, *The Road to Little Dribbling*, tells the tale of his return to Britain, where he travels from Bognor Regis in the south to Cape Wrath in the north and describes the best and worst about Britain.

His comical book about hiking the Appalachian Trail, A Walk in the Woods[5], has been turned into a film starring Robert Redford, Nick Nolte and Emma Thompson.

Bryson has authored dozens of books on travel, language, history, science and biography. His bestselling travel books include *The Lost Continent*, *Neither Here Nor There* and *Notes from a Small Island*, which was voted the book that best represents Britain. *A Short History of Nearly Everything* won the Royal Society's Aventis Prize, as well as the Descartes Prize, which is the European Union's highest literary award.

This Morgan Library Author Series event is sponsored by Friends of the CSU Libraries, the Poudre River Public Library District, Friends of the Poudre River Public Library District, the Lory Student Center, Barnes and Noble booksellers, KUNC, Odell Brewing Co., the Coloradoan and the Hilton Hotel.

For more information, visit: www.lib.colostate.edu/author-series[6].

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### **Endnotes:**

- 1. Colorado State University Morgan Library: http://lib.colostate.edu
- 2. CSU Lory Student Center: http://lsc.colostate.edu
- 3. CSUTIX.com: http://csutix.universitytickets.com/user\_pages/event\_listings.asp
- 4. MAX Bus Rapid Transit Service: http://www.ridetransfort.com/max
- 5. A Walk in the Woods: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cOF2LIAp9bw
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