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# News Release

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## Lafayette Activities Announced for National Library Week, April 13-19

**LAFAYETTE, Colo April 1, 2014** – The Lafayette Public Library is joining libraries nationwide to highlight the value of community libraries, librarians, and library workers through National Library Week April 13-19. A number of special activities will be celebrated in Lafayette including the One Book for Colorado book giveaway, a One Book for Colorado story time, a Biomimicry program, and the installation of a new eXpress Checkout Station.

The Lafayette Public Library (LPL) is more than simply a repository for books and other resources – it is at the heart of the community, deeply committed to offering a safe place to gather, connect, engage, address local issues, and enrich and shape Lafayette. LPL works with elected officials, small business owners, students and the public to discover their needs and how to meet them. LPL has responded by offering e-books and technology classes, materials for English-language learners, programs for job seekers, and support for early literacy.

“Service to the community has always been the focus of the library,” said Betsy Stroomer, Library Director. “While this aspect has never changed, libraries have grown and evolved in how they provide for the needs of every member of their community.”

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the country each April.

**One Book 4 Colorado; April 7-21:** This early-literacy initiative helps Colorado’s young children get ready to read. Parents are encouraged to visit the Library April 7-21 when every 4-year-old in Colorado is eligible to receive a FREE copy of the 2014 book choice, available in both English and Spanish. The title of the book will be announced on April 7th. One Book 4 Colorado is brought to you by the Colorado State Library, Reach Out and Read Colorado, the Colorado State Governor’s office, public libraries, and generous individual and foundation donors. [www.onebook4colorado.org](http://www.onebook4colorado.org)

**One Book 4 Colorado Story Time; Thursday, April 17, 10:30am:** A special story time featuring the One Book 4 Colorado selection.

**Be part of our eXpress checkout campaign:** A new eXpress Checkout Station will be installed in the children’s section in April and will provide quick, easy, and private check outs.

**Biomimicry: What Open Spaces Can Teach Us; April 16 at 7:00pm** - Participants will experience a fascinating look at how we can see our local landscapes as more than places to recreate, but as a sources of new and sustainable ideas. This program is presented in collaboration with the Lafayette Parks & Open Space Department. [Additional program information](#)

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Library hours are  
Monday-Thursday; 10am-9pm  
Friday and Saturday; 10am-5pm  
Sunday; 1-5pm

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