

New computer lab showcased at annual Library Extravaganza

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A fully functional laptop computer lab was unveiled last Sunday, Dec. 11 at the Heginbotham Library Extravaganza. The lab, located in the library basement, was set up last week and will soon be the site of a variety of computer classes for the community, including beginning user courses.



Handmade gifts galore entice holiday shoppers at the annual Library Extravaganza last Sunday, Dec. 11. Funds raised will go toward the library's new laptop computer lab.

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Sharon Morris, director of library development and innovation with the Colorado State Library, said Holyoke is one of 84 communities across the state to receive a federal grant in conjunction with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

The goal of the project is to bring updated computers and wireless internet to rural communities. The \$19,497 grant as well as local matching funds of \$2,166 provided six laptop computers for the new lab as well as four desktops to replace old computers at the library.

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By the way, the building of the building was a long time ago, but the building is still there.