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## Demand for Apple encryption tool threatens library users' privacy

Article Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

*American Library Association (ALA)* by Macey Morales (Released 2/26/2016) - Libraries have a direct and immediate stake in the outcome of the Apple case, as patrons have 24/7 access to library materials and resources via their smart phones, tablets, and mobile devices. Sari Feldman, president of the ALA, released the following statement in response to a federal court order that requires Apple to develop a new tool that will assist the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) with the decryption of iPhone's operating system.

"The American Library Association is saddened and outraged at the act of terrorism in San Bernardino last December," stated Feldman. "This

senseless act of violence should not be used to justify compromising the privacy of library users and, indeed, all Americans.

"Along with scores of civil liberties organizations, technology companies, and eminent security researchers worldwide, the ALA shares concerns regarding the intended or unintended creation of a 'backdoor' into Apple's or any other company's encryption systems. Library patrons have a right to privacy, as many access library catalogs and databases via their mobile devices.

"The ALA is a staunch advocate for privacy and opposes unfettered government surveillance that threatens the civil rights

and liberties guaranteed under the United States Constitution. We believe that privacy is essential to the exercise of free speech, free thought, and free association. As such, it is part of the bedrock of American democracy.

"Although the court order requires Apple to unlock and decrypt a single iPhone, providing a backdoor key means that the security and privacy of all Apple iPhones will be broken. Previously confidential information, such as patrons' ebook downloads, database use and other library records will be open to those within our government who might not follow correct procedures. Our concern is that the privacy of library patrons' activities will be fair game... [Article](#)

## Librarians Find Themselves Caught Between Journal Pirates and Publishers

Article Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

*Chronicle* by Corinne Ruff (2/18/2016) - The rise, fall, and resurfacing of a popular piracy website for scholarly-journal articles, Sci-Hub, has highlighted tensions between academic

librarians and scholarly publishers.

Academics are increasingly turning to websites like Sci-Hub to view subscriber-only articles that they cannot obtain at their college or that they need more quickly than interlibrary loan can provide.

That trend puts librarians in an awkward posi-

tion. While many are proponents of open access and understand the challenges scholars face in gaining access to information, they are also bound by their contracts with publishers, which obligate them to crack down on pirates. And while few, if any, librarians openly endorse piracy, many believe that the scholarly-publishing system is broken. [Article](#)

## Kids & Teens Broadcast

Articles Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

### Open eBooks Opens World of Digital Reading to Children—DPLA & Open eBooks

(Released 2/24/2016) - [Open eBooks](#), a new initiative and e-reader app that will make thousands of popular, top-selling eBooks available to children in need for free, is launching today. The initiative is designed to address the challenge of providing digital reading materials to children living in low-income households, and offers unprecedented access to quality digital content, including a catalog of eBooks valued at more than \$250 million.



### Junior Library Guild Launches Book Trailer Contest for Teens—School Library Jour-

nal—(Released 2/18/2016) - High school students in the United States and Canada can put their creative skills to the test in a big way. *School Library Journal's* sister company, Junior Library Guild (JLG), is launching a Book Trailer contest, kicking off February 22. Students in 9th through 12th grade (13 and older) can participate by producing a book trailer for one of JLG's fall 2015 high school book selections. The top five trailers will be selected by JLG and then voted on by librarians to choose the first, second, and third place winners. [Article](#)

### Kids Practice Reading to Shy Shelter Dogs at Missouri Humane Society—ABC News



by Catherine Thorbecke (Released 2/25/2016) - Children can practice their reading and

help timid shelter dogs learn to socialize in a new mutually beneficial program at the Humane Society of Missouri. In the Shelter Buddies Reading program, kids can read a completely non-judgmental audience and also help acclimatize often timid or anxious shelter dogs to the presence of humans. [Article](#)

### Young Adult Fiction Without Romance—The Hub YALSA

(Released 2/25/2016) - While many people might wish to continue celebrating Valentine's Day with romantic reads, there are plenty of readers who prefer their fiction fairly romance-free. If librarian listservs and Twitter conversations are anything to go by, "books with little to no romance" are a common but surprisingly challenging readers' advisory request in libraries across the country and all year round. Again, the Hub bloggers are here to help! [Article](#)

## What's Happening Arrowhead?

Articles submitted by MaryLei Barclay

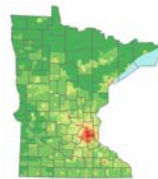
**Edible Car Contest Coming Up—International Falls Journal** by Diane Adams (Released 2/23/2016) - Edible Car Contest on February 27, beginning at 10:30 a.m. It is National Engineers' Week and we want you to explore the field of engineering through vehicles. Can you make a car entirely out of edible items? How far



will it go? Come create, race and eat your creations.

We get an extra day this year on February 29. Do you plan to do anything special with your extra day? I think we should declare it a DROP day or Drop Everything and Read Day. [Article](#)

**Denfeld hosts forum on bed bugs—Duluth Budgeteer News** (Released 2/22/2016) - Bed bugs are a growing problem. One Duluth-area pest control company had 3-5 bed bug calls in 2000, but in 2014 had 1,700 such calls. Last year they had just



short of 2,000 calls. The problem is everywhere, not just in the city. [Article](#)

### Duluth author finds hope through dark themes—Duluth Budgeteer

by Teri Cadeau (Released 2/18/2016) - In the past month, the University of Minnesota Duluth professor, Tom Isbell, has celebrated the release of his second dystopian young adult novel, "The Capture," and witnessed Duluth East High School perform a one-act version of his 1997 Holocaust play, "Dear Finder." [Article](#)

## The Conference is Calling

Info submitted by Jim Weikum

**Enhancing Quality Staff—University of Minnesota St. Paul—** May 17, 2016 Please hold the date! Join us for a great mix of professional and personal development sessions. Registration information will be mailed out in March. More [information](#)

**2016 ARSL Conference "Call for Proposals"** - Does your library go "beyond normal"? If so, the Association for Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL) is accepting proposals for break-out session presentations for the 2016 Conference to be held in Fargo, North Dakota on October 27-29, 2016. The theme for ARSL 2016 is "North of Normal" and we'd like to hear about creative ideas that take your library beyond normal. Proposals for these 1-hour sessions can be submitted using our [online form](#). The

deadline to submit is March 21 in order for the Conference Programming Committee to review and make selections. Those who submit a proposal will be notified whether or not their proposal was accepted by April 15. We remind presenters that workshops must be geared toward the small and rural library audience, and those that are practical, hands-on and how-to are preferred. This is not the proper venue for post-graduate dissertations or marketing products. [Website](#)

## It's a Legacy Thing

By Alexis Leitgeb

### Duluth Playhouse *The Imaginarium Myth*—

March 21-April 6—Join a ragtag group of kids as they set off for adventure using their imaginations to explore Mythology. The Imaginarium Myth Adventure is the Theater for Younger Audiences' third installment of learning centric plays designed to travel in order to reach a wider community. This interactive and energetic original play will be a blast for the whole family. Don't miss this exciting theatre experience!



**Minnesota State Fair – The Storied History, Keri Huber, Minnesota State Fair Archivist**—April 18-23—When you walk through the

gates of the Minnesota State Fair, you are enveloped with sites, sounds, smells and more that is



unlike any other time of the year. You know what the State Fair is like now, but do you ever wonder how it came to be? With its roots in agriculture, the Minnesota State Fair has been a fixture of Minnesota since its first territorial fair in 1855. While agriculture is still the primary focus, the scope of activities has broadened to include large-scale entertainment, technological and industrial exhibits and participation of scores of education and government institutions. With a mix of historical facts, anecdotes and photographs depicting agriculture, competitions, entertainment and exhibits, Keri Huber will help you see how the State Fair was, and is a feast for the senses, and that it truly is the Great Minnesota Get-Together.

Keri Huber has worked at the Minnesota State Fair as an archivist for the past six years. With over 22,000 photos in the State Fair's collection, her background in visual arts has proven useful in finding images that tell a story and bring history to life. She collaborates with the Minnesota Historical Society (History Walking Tour and the State Fair's History & Heritage Center) and has worked with TPT (State Fair Stories; Lost Twin Cities; Almanac; Gracious Spaces; Clarence H. Johnston, Minnesota Architect) and national programs such as Bizarre Foods with Andrew Zimmern. She too has been interviewed by local newspapers, television and radio stations about the State Fair, and enjoys sharing fair stories learned through research and by the connections she has made.

[Legacy Calendar](#)



## Thinking Outside Minnesota

Articles submitted by MaryLei Barclay

**Chicago library housing historic collection of black literature in jeopardy**—CLTV (Released 2/18/2016) - A storm is brewing in Chicago's Washington Heights neighborhood and it's all over a library that houses a priceless collection of literature. The building, which is in dire need of attention, is literally falling apart. The community is crying foul, and demanding that action

be taken. [Article](#)

### Baltimore library chief tapped lead Library of Congress

—Star Tribune by Ben Nuckols (Released 2/24/2016) - The longtime head of Baltimore's library system was nominated by President Barack Obama to be the next Librarian of Congress on Wednesday, a rare pick for a position that has routinely been held by scholars in other fields. If confirmed by the Senate, Carla Hayden would be the 14th Librarian of Congress in the institution's 214-year history and first woman and the first African-



American to hold the position, milestones that Obama called "long overdue." [Article](#)

### Assembly approves expanding library collection powers

—Star Tribune (Released 2/16/2016) - The state Assembly has approved a bill that would give libraries more power to collect overdue fines. The measure would create exceptions to privacy laws protecting borrowers' identities so libraries could report them to collection agencies and police. The Assembly passed the bill on a voice vote with no debate Tues. [Article](#)

## IMLS to Award States More Than \$155 Million for Library Services

Article submitted by MaryLei Barclay

IMLS by Giuliana Bullard (Released 2/19/2016) - The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) today released its [Fiscal Year 2016 allotment table](#) for 56 State Library Administrative Agencies (SLAAs). These annual grants to the 50 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S.

Territories represent the largest source of federal funding support for library services in the United States.

The agency's [Grants to States program](#) allocates a base amount to each of the SLAAs plus a supplemental amount based on population. These federal funds supplement rather than replace state funding for existing state library services, and the program assures local involvement through financial matching requirements. The newly released allotment table identifies both the federal (66%)

and state match share (34%) for each SLAA.

States and their sub-recipients have used Grants to States funds for a range of projects that respond to the [purposes and priorities outlined in the Library Services and Technology Act \(LSTA\)](#). These have included summer reading programs, access to electronic databases and e-books. To find out more about how funds are used in each state, visit the [state profile pages](#). [Article](#)

# Training Control Center

Info Submitted by Jim Weikum, Chris Magnusson, Mollie Stanford, and MaryLei Barclay

**Communication Mistakes Only Really Really Smart or Busy People Make**—*Siera Learn* March 9, 12:00pm Mountain—Intelligent busy people sometimes cut corners when it comes to workplace relationships. Are you a degreed professional, devoted scholar and researcher, or just a superior smart cookie? You might have been rewarded for brilliant ideas, big grants, and amazing productivity, but not so much for getting along well with others. Now that no one wants to be part of your team, what will you do? [Register](#)

**The Marketing Portfolio: Balancing the Past Present and Future**—*Siera Learn* March 29, 12:00pm Mountain—When gathering information and opinions for a strategic or marketing plan, what do you do when the collected information is filled with contradictions? Some people want everything new; others cling to the old. To classify and analyze the data, a portfolio that balances traditional, current, and visionary information can provide a complete picture: the ration among the three categories. [Register](#)

**Essential Webinar series: Intro to What Makes a Great Library**—*Siera Learn* May 19, 12:00pm Mountain—The Essential Webinar Series provides an introduction to practical ideas that support workplace and career success. Since 1978, I have worked as a library consultant and have had the privilege of visiting hundreds of libraries, from rural storefronts to the largest public and academic institutions, from small rooms in big buildings to beloved monuments to learning and culture. What do the best have in common? [Register](#)

**Teen Book Buzz**—*School Library Journal* March 8, 3:00pm EST—Join *SLJTeen* editor Shelley Diaz in conversation with Albert Whitman &

Company, Harlequin TEEN, and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers about their most buzz-worthy books coming out this Spring. From a new novel by Kwame Alexander, winner of the Newbery medal for *The Crossover*, to mind-bending time-travel adventures to thrillers that will leave readers on the edge of their seats, you'll hear about some of the hottest titles for teen readers coming soon. Don't miss out! [Register](#)

**Select Reads Overview**—March 1, 10:00am CST—See a 20 minute overview of exciting new automated readers advisory and book discovery tools from DearReader.com. [Register](#)

**Children, Children, What Do You See?** - *Charlesbridge* March 9, 2:00pm EST—In a world of rapid digital change, the picture book is a powerful reminder of why traditional bookmaking matters. There's something important in a book's very physicality and the way it brings together adults and children in a shared reading experience. This webinar teaches proper picture-book terminology and will help you become comfortable discussing a book's visual elements such as trim size, orientation, jacket, cover, and endpapers as you come to understand how these components enhance, underscore, and otherwise interact with the text. You'll discover an exciting, interactive new alternative to traditional storytime that invites children to become active participants: The Whole Book Approach. [Register](#)

**Get More Graphic: New Titles for Your Graphic Novels Shelves**—*Booklist*—March 15, 1:00pm Central—Are your graphic novel offerings looking a little sparse? In this program, join representatives from DC, Random House Publishing, and VIZ media as they discuss upcoming comics, graphic novels, and manga to enliven this increasingly popular section of the library. [Register](#)

**Using Pop Culture to Create**

**Great Library Programs**—*ALA*—**fee \$55.00** March 16, 2:30pm Eastern—It's no surprise that library programming is a powerful tool to engage patrons and keep them coming back for more. In this workshop, popular duo Katie LaMantia and Emily Vinci, known for their successful workshop "Building Great Programs for patrons in their 20s and 30s," will enlighten and empower you to approach programming in a different way. You will get tips to invigorate your programs... [Webinar](#)

**Connecting with Teens—A Beginner's Guide**—*Tutor.com* March 22, 2:00pm—Join Tutor.com and Lauren Regenhardt, Teen Services manager at Yuma County Library District (AZ) in a conversation about reaching and serving teens through your library. Lauren will share with us Yuma County's story and her tips for building a successful connection with the sometimes hard-to-reach teen population. We look forward to "seeing you" there! [Register](#)

**Creating Standards for Consistently Excellent Library Customer Service Workshop**—by Mollie Stanford—March 18, 1:00-3:30p.m. at Duluth Public Library. Library Expert Pat Wagner will be sharing information on creating concrete goals to help you identify and repeat successes, and ensure a consistently great customer service experience regardless of who is staffing the service desk(s) or phones. This free workshop is open to all ALS member public, school, academic, and special library staff. [Register](#)

**Design Institute**—*Library Journal* May 6, 8:30am-5:15pm in Bozeman, Montana Public Library—Come together with librarians, architects, and vendors to explore building/renovating for evolving user expectations and community engagement and hear about recently constructed or renovated libraries that will spur your own solutions. Whether you're renovating, retrofitting, or building anew, you'll find ideas, info, and inspiration no matter your budget. Admission is free but space is limited. [Register](#) today.

## Age-appropriate mysteries can help encourage reading

**Q.** Are there specific books that a third-grader might enjoy over the summer but also have a little educational value? We are new to the city and want to sign our 8-year-old daughter up for the library reading program. We think she will be able to meet new friends there but also enjoy the reading activities during the summer. The only problem is that she loves books about murders, which is really weird for a girl of this age.

■ Your daughter might be bored with books that girls her age are reading and may enjoy the suspense of trying to figure out murder mystery and "whodunit" books. I was reading adult murder mystery books by the time I was 10 and I am thankful my parents let me. My love for books has never abated, mostly because no one ever told me a book I wanted to read was off limits because I was too young.

Try talking to your daughter about why she likes those types of books. Ask the librarian to help you find books that are not too graphic but will suit your daughter's needs, such as ones by author Caroline B. Cooney. Don't forget that all books have educational value if it gets a child to read. — *Shannon Thompson in Ellisville, Mo.*

■ I understand your concern for the content of the books your daughter is reading; there are

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some very graphic stories out there. However, you should be ecstatic that she wants to use and strengthen her mind. Most kids just want to laugh and play.

My wife is reading some murder mysteries that you might be interested in and they don't go into detail on how the person is killed. The uniqueness is that the author, Joanne Fluke (Hannah Swensen Mystery with Recipes), also includes food recipes. Both my wife and mother-in-law have a hard time putting them down. We think you will approve and your daughter will enjoy them. In addition, she may learn about baking. — *Jack and Linda W. in Pocatowas Ill.*

**FROM JODIE**

Mystery books are pretty cool for kids, especially if they are appropriate for their individual personality and reading ability.

As long as your daughter doesn't have bad dreams associated with the books, it's probably fine for her to read them. For example, when one of my children wanted to read a new book series about slimy, creepy, ghostly "things," but the series was a little too graphic in the details, we had to forbid them until he was older.

However, because he paid close attention to every single detail, everything he read was emotionally magnified and internalized differently than most children his age. He had intense nightmares where he would wake up crying, shaking and sweating. He was fine within a couple of weeks after we put the books away

**CAN YOU HELP?**

I don't mind if my 6-year-old son's friends eat lunch with us, but they just laugh, act silly and never seem to eat much of anything. Then, a couple of hours later, everyone is hungry again. It's important that he learn to eat when it is time to do so. Should I just ask them to leave? Should I talk with the parents or the kids?

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In Pluggerville, the building with  
the most stories isn't necessarily the  
tallest.

Submitted by Paula Chapman

### MaryLei's Links Limited on Typing

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