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Proposed Federal Budget Could Cut State Library Funding by Nearly \$1 Million

Article Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

Library Journal by Lisa Peet (Released 3/7/2016) - President Barack Obama's Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17) budget request to the U.S. Congress, released on February 9 by the U.S. Government Publishing Office and the Office of Management and Budget, including \$230,000,000 for the IMLS. Of the total FY17 appropriated request for IMLS, \$228,593,000 is allocated for programs and administrative costs authorized by the Museum and Library Services Act, which comprises the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) and the Museum Services Act. Some \$182,429,000 would go toward programs authorized by LSTA: grants to state library agencies, Native American and Native Hawaiian library ser-

vices, the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program, and National Leadership Grants for Libraries.

In additions, \$30,244,000 was allocated for museum grants, \$1,920,000 for research and data collection, and \$1,407,000 for a grants program authorized by the African American History and Culture Act.

The requested amount represents no change from the FY16 enacted appropriation for IMLS, and represents "tremendous opportunity to further strengthen libraries and the services they offer communities across the country," according to IMLS Director Dr. Kathryn K. Matthew in a state-

ment to *Library Journal*. "I think this fiscal year 2017 budget acknowledges that potential and responds to it." However, even though the total is the same, the LSTA dollar amount represents a cut of over half a million dollars in funding from the enacted FY16 LSTA total of \$182,944,000. And while National Leadership grants would potentially see an increase of more than \$6000,000, grants to state library agencies would be cut by nearly \$1 million, canceling out the funding increase they saw last year. Funding for Native American and Native Hawaiian library services would see a reduction of more than \$200,000. This difference in allocations could mean potential hardships for state libraries. [Article](#)

The Conference is Calling

Info Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

Cooperating Libraries in Consortium (CLIC)—Conference April 12, 9:00am-3:30pm at Hamline University in St. Paul, MN **fee \$75.00 to non-members and free to CLIC member libraries**—Online registrations is

now open. *Designing the Library's Learning Space—the Architecture of the Library's Curriculum*. Register [today](#). More [information](#).

Register Today for the Libraries Serving Youth Meetup—*Minnesota State Library Services* April 16, 10:00am-2:00pm—Be part of this annual opportunity for school and pub-

lic librarians to meet, network and share ideas in a casual setting. Join your colleagues at MDE in Roseville. Get creative ideas, connect with like-minded professionals about issues important to you, and learn about diversity in children's literature from author Cathy Camper. [Register](#) today. [Email](#) Jen Verbrugge for info.

Kids & Teens Broadcast

Articles Submitted by **MaryLei Barclay**
and **Jim Weikum**

Introducing AskMN to Schools—Minitex by Carla Pfahl (Released 2/26/2016) - Ellen Range, a school librarian for ISD 535 in Rochester, put together this [post](#) about the AskMN statewide 24/7 virtual reference service for her teachers to learn more about the service and how to introduce it to students. I appreciate the video she put together about using the service. She breaks down the information quite well on how to use the service and provides examples of questions asked of AskMN Librarians. [Article](#)

Calling All 8th District High School Artists—by Rick Nolan (Released 3/8/2016) - My office is now

accepting applications for the 2016 Congressional Art Competitions. I am proud to display the talent of students in the Eighth District and I encourage high school artists to enter their artwork in this contest. The winning artwork will be featured for one year in the Cannon Tunnel, which connects the House Office Buildings to the U.S. Capitol. The grand prize winner will be flown to Washington, D.C. in June for a reception honoring his or her artwork, which will be on display for one year. Two semi-finalists will have their artwork displayed in our District offices. To best ensure accessibility for all students, our office will be accepting all Congressional Art Competition submissions online. Selection of the winning piece will be determined based upon the photograph submitted with the application. More information is available at my [website](#). Questions can go to Jeff Anderson [email](#) or 218-464-5095.

Reading Room for Visually Impaired Kids Incorporates the Power of Touch—School Library Journal by Sarah Bayliss (Released 3/7/2016) - When the Semmes Foundation in San Antonio, TX, offered to underwrite a new low-vision reading room at the San Antonio Public Library, it was a chance for the library to expand its Braille collection, buy assistive equipment including a magnifying monitor and more. But the biggest opportunity was to potentially bring in new patrons. [Article](#)

Stanford's Links to Assess

- [MELSA Launches New Library Program](#)
- [DC Public Library's New "Memory Lab" Lets You Digitize old Photos and Videos](#)

APPLY for Greatness

Articles Submitted by **MaryLei Barclay**

Library of the Year Nomination—Library Journal Deadline April 5, 2016—All libraries are good, some are great. *LJ* is looking for role-model libraries to vie for the honor of being the 2016 *Library Journal*/Gale Cengage Learning Library of the Year. The \$10,000 prize celebrates the library that most profoundly demonstrates the following: Service to the community; Creativity and innova-

tion in developing specific community programs or a dramatic increase in library usage; Leadership in creating programs that can be emulated by other libraries. [Info](#)

Knight News Challenge on Libraries opens for submissions—Winning applicants will receive a share of \$3 million for a project that answers the question: How might libraries serve 21st century information needs? More [information](#)

Nominate a Minnesota Academic Innovator—Minnesota Library Association (MLA) - Innovation. Change.

Transformation. Breakthrough. Do you know an academic librarian or academic project team whose projects, programs, or services have made recent outstanding contributions that advance the mission of an academic and/or research library through an innovative project, program or service? If so, nominate him or her today. [Nominations](#) can be made online through April 4. The recipient of the award will be recognized and presented with \$300 at ARLD Day 2016 (April 29th at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum). MLA membership is not required.

ALS Continuing Education

by **Mollie Stanford**

This is just a reminder that Arrowhead Library System has budgeted for continuing education scholarships for member public, school, academic, and special library staff—yay! These scholarships can be used for conferences, workshops, and webinars. Here are some upcoming ideas for you!

- [Spotlight on Books](#)—April 8-9
- [Lake Superior Libraries Symposium](#)—May 20
- 2016 [ITEM](#) Annual Conference in the Fall
- 2016 [MLA](#) Annual Conference in the Fall
- [Association of Rural and Small Libraries](#) Conference in Fargo/Moorhead—October 27-29

Scholarship dollars are in the form of

a reimbursement, meaning we will need copies of all receipts and proof of paid registration following the event. If you have questions about applying for scholarships, please let me know. Mollie's [email](#).

MaryLei's NOTE: You can find a copy of the application on the Google drive plus other helpful documents in the folder "ALS Regional Forms" reachable at the following [link](#). Any questions [email](#) MaryLei.

That One Book @ Your Library

Article Submitted by Chris Magnusson

Grand Rapids Herald Review by Tracy Kampa Children's Library (Released 3/5/2016) - I was six or seven, a relative newcomer to the wonder of the chapter book. I had only read a few on my own; I loved this one. It was easier for me to read the story myself, because Mom had already read it to me, chapter by glorious chapter, a few years ago. I knew what would happen, but that didn't stop me from crying each time I read it.

While I did own several books, I didn't own this one. It was with mixed feelings that I approached the stairs that led down to the Children's section of the library. I would have to relinquish this wonderful book, but I also knew that the room at the bottom of the stairs held other equally amazing stories. Do I want picture books, or chapter books? How many will Mom let me check out? How much time do I have to look?

While the adults checked in their books on the main floor of the library, the children's books were all checked in and out in the children's library. Mom stayed upstairs and I descended

to that magical place.

The Librarian was sitting behind her desk; she smiled as I approached. I handed her the book. "You really love this book, don't you?" I smiled, but surprisingly, felt shy. (A very rare emotion for me.) She turned the book over in her hands, inspecting the front and back cover. "This book is in really rough shape!" My stomach fell! Did she think I hurt the book? I would never hurt a book! I felt like I couldn't breathe. So many thoughts filled my head. Would she let me check out another book? Would I ever read that wonderful story again? Would they kick me out of the library?

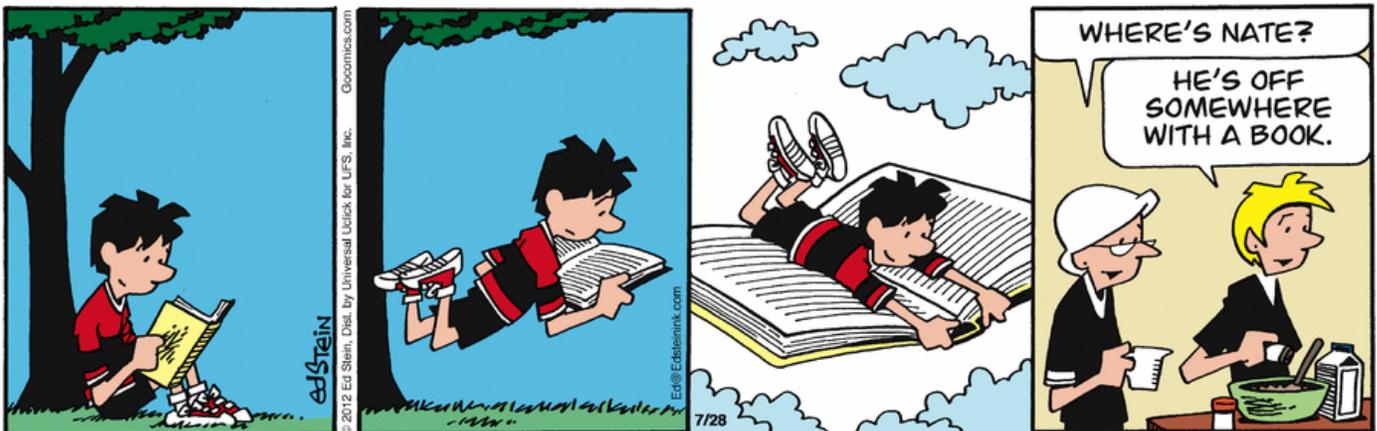
Alfred Hitchcock, in an article I read several years ago, said that the secret to creating suspense was not in the building of terror, but the release of terror. You think something is going to happen, you prepare for it, but then, at the very last possible moment, the horror doesn't happen, but rather, the opposite occurs. Your tension melts away, replaced with relief, and, perhaps, a moment of disbelief that you have dodged this bullet that was so very close just a moment ago. I know this.

The Librarian opened the front cover of the book and ripped out the card pocket. "Here, you can have it, this

book belongs with someone who loves it that much." I stared in utter wonder, could this be happening? "This book is in rough shape. I'll order a replacement copy for the library. This one is yours." I will remember that moment for the rest of my life.

I don't remember what other books I checked out that day, but I do remember going home and penciling my first name in the book. I am not a book collector. I believe that books have a life of their own, and they need to be free to find a new reader, a new owner, when I am done with them. Yes, there is a bookcase in nearly every room of my house, but I don't have boxes of books getting musty in my basement. In our family room, however, the very top shelf of books are those with which I couldn't bear to part from my childhood. Right about in the center of the collection is a very tattered copy of "Charlotte's Web", open the cover and you'll find my name written in pencil. It is the book that started my journey to where I am sitting now, in the library, hoping that someday I might have even a tenth of that impact on one of my young readers.

Thank you, Librarian. [Article](#)



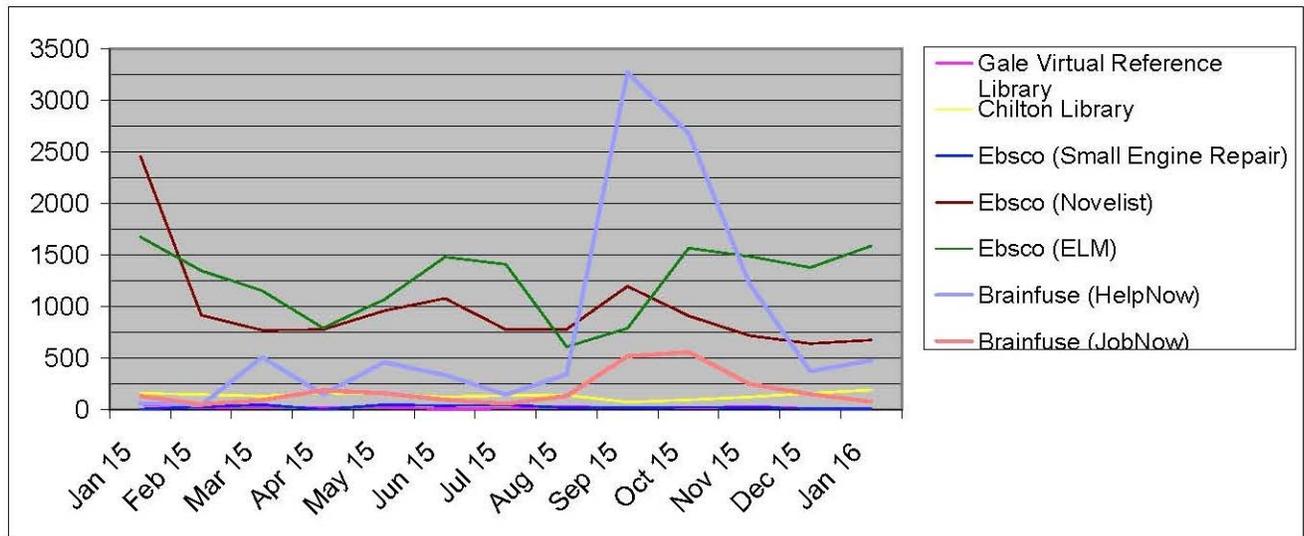
Just the Stats

Usage for Databases Paid for by ALS thru January 2016

ALS Paid Databases

Searches

	Jan 15	Feb 15	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 15	Jun 15	Jul 15	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 16
Gale Virtual Reference Library	54	20	29	26	24	10	14	30	18	15	33	12	9
Chilton Library	160	147	132	165	153	124	139	141	73	97	124	162	192
Ebsco (Small Engine Repair)	6	29	50	3	50	40	48	20	20	25	22	12	13
Ebsco (Novelist)	2460	918	773	779	959	1079	778	782	1199	910	718	641	676
Ebsco (ELM)	1675	1348	1154	793	1068	1481	1412	611	789	1568	1487	1380	1590
Brainfuse (HelpNow)	66	46	509	148	460	335	144	342	3275	2682	1221	375	477
Brainfuse (JobNow)	134	51	93	189	160	95	59	134	517	560	251	151	77
TOTAL USAGE	4555	2559	2740	2103	2874	3164	2594	2060	5891	5857	3856	2733	3034



Other Gale Databases

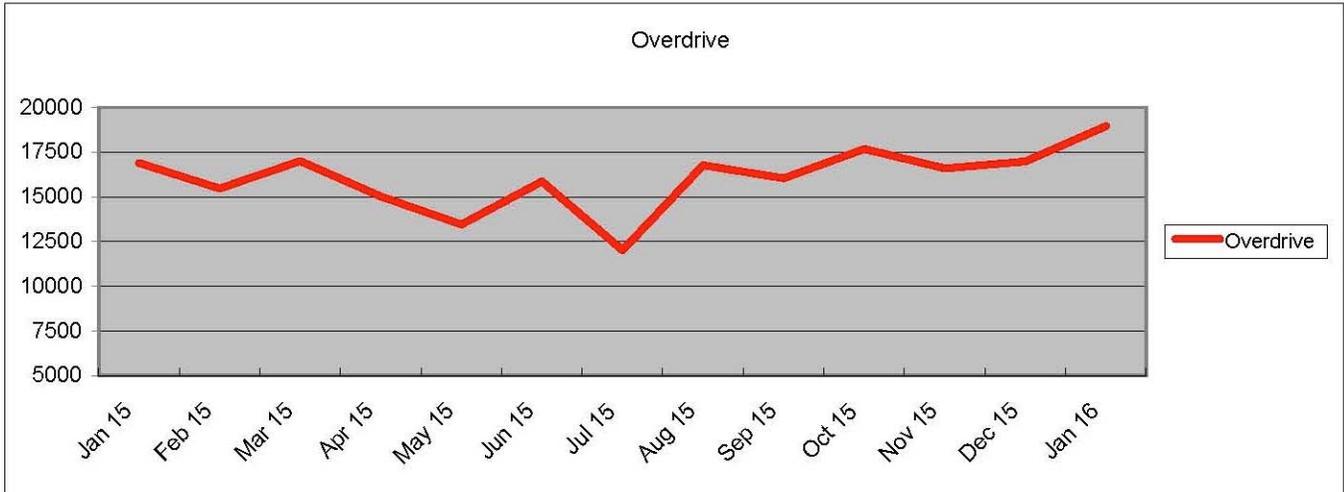
Searches

	Jan 15	Feb 15	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 15	Jun 15	Jul 15	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 15
Discovering Collection	23	22	3	7	5	4	1	1	7	0	0	0	0
Educator's Reference Complete	13	13	4	7	2	10	0	1	14	1	3	0	3
Expanded Academic ASAP	45	17	156	81	18	6	12	1	12	9	19	9	8
General Science Collection	50	26	9	34	4	7	0	0	1	8	2	5	8
Informe Academico	13	13	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Junior Edition	13	13	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Junior Reference Collection	1	10	5	1	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Kids Edition - K12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kids InfoBits	8	10	5	7	0	4	0	0	0	0	3	9	65
Professional Collection	47	36	4	13	5	0	10	0	1	2	4	1	12
Research in Context											9	5	7
Student Edition	29	13	0	5	2	0	0	3	3	65	15	9	3
Student Resource Center Gold	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Student Resources in Context	48	16	1	5	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	4
TOTAL USAGE	290	189	187	170	42	31	23	6	43	88	55	39	113

Just the Stats

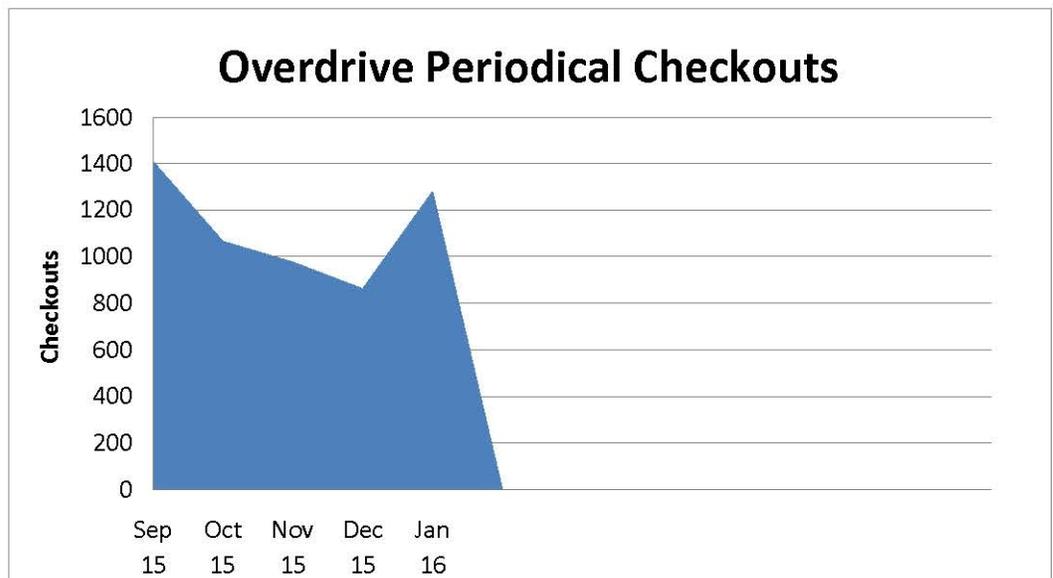
Overdrive

Jan 15	Feb 15	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 15	Jun 15	Jul 15	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 16
16881	15452	16992	15010	13445	15849	12006	16750	16025	17674	16578	16974	18948



Overdrive

Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 16
1407	1065	976	861	1278



Just the Stats

Arrowhead Library System
Overdrive Periodical Use
For Period: January 2016

Check outs	Check outs	Check outs	
48	Do it Yourself	4	The Atlantic
39	Prevention	4	ESPN The Magazine
35	The Family Handyman	4	Rodale's Organic Life
35	OK! magazine	4	Inc.
33	HGTV Magazine	4	Timber Home Living
33	National Geographic	4	Discovery Girls
31	Cosmopolitan - US edition	3	Popular Photography
30	Country Living	3	Car and Driver
30	Better Homes and Gardens	3	Hobby Farms
27	Good Housekeeping - US edition	3	Home Business Magazine
27	Martha Stewart Living	2	Petersen's Hunting
27	Reader's Digest	2	Bloomberg Markets
24	Rachael Ray Every Day	1	The Oxford American
22	History Revealed	1	Petersen's 4-Wheel and Off-Road
21	Taste of Home Holiday	1	Skewed and Reviewed - The Magazine
21	Food Network Magazine	1	Zoobooks
21	Family Circle	1	Smart Photograph
21	Cardmaking & Papercraft	1	Pets
19	Popular Mechanics	1	Poets & Writers
19	O, The Oprah Magazine		
19	Amazing Wellness		
19	Outside		
18	Cabin Living		
18	Air and Space Magazine		
18	Budget Travel		
18	Woodworker's Journal		
18	Clean Eating		
18	Taste of Home		
17	Dr. Oz The Good Life		
17	Macworld - US edition		
16	Shape		
16	Weight Watchers Magazine		
15	Smithsonian		
15	Real Food and Health		
15	Astronomy		
15	Women's Health		
15	In-Fisherman		
14	Midwest Living		
14	National Park Trips		
14	Yoga Journal		
13	Interweave Knits		
13	Popular Science		
13	Redbook		
12	AARP Bulletin		
12	Woman's Day		
12	Vanity Fair		
11	The Onion		
11	AARP the Magazine		
11	mental_floss		
10	Backpacker		
10	Arts and Crafts Homes		
10	Field & Stream		
10	Guns and Ammo		
10	Newsweek		
10	PCWorld		
10	Tech & Learning		
10	Gluten-Free Living		
9	National Geographic Little Kids		
9	Quilter's World		
9	Boating		
9	Vegetarian Times		
8	Men's Fitness - US edition		
8	American Craft		
8	Brides		
7	Reminisce		
7	Better Homes and Gardens' Diabetic Living		
7	Runner's World		
6	Interweave Crochet		
6	Motor Trend		
6	More		
6	Entrepreneur		
6	Bead & Button		
6	Muscle & Fitness		
5	American Snowmobiler		
5	Parents Magazine		
5	Discover		
5	A Wellness Update		
5	Seventeen		
5	National Geographic Kids		
4	The World of Cross Stitching		
		Total eMagazine Titles 99	
		Total eMagazine Circulation 1278	

Thinking Outside Minnesota

Articles submitted by MaryLei Barclay

Champaign [IL] Public Library Reopens Search for New Director—WAND TV (Released 2/9/2016) - The Champaign Public Library Board of Trustees announces they plan to reopen the search for a new library director after not coming to an agreement on their previously selected finalists. [Article](#)

Weighing the future of the Yonkers [NY] Public Library—*The Journal News* by Ernie Garcia (Released 2/17/2016) - How do you keep a library relevant in the digital age? That's the question Yonkers Public Library Officials are trying to answer, and they're asking for public input to craft a proposal. There are several feedback sessions scheduled, plus an online survey that asks participants how they use the branches, how they would like the library to communicate with the public, and which other libraries they use. [Article](#)

Stanford University Libraries and Bayerische Staatsbibliothek Sign Historic Bilateral Collaboration Agreement—*Library Journal* by Gary Price (Filed 2/29/2016) - This announcement will develop synergies and share expertise on a number of projects and programs that directly and indirectly serve scholars and students at Stanford, in Munich, and elsewhere. [Article](#)

Darby [MT] Library's planned lecture on Islam draws complaints—*Ravalli Republic* by Michelle McConnaha (Released 2/25/2016) - The Darby Community Library Board decided the March 9 presentation titled "Perspectives on Islam" in the Life-Long Learning Series should continue as scheduled after holding an emergency meeting Thursday. Library Director Wendy Campbell called for the Meeting. "I called for the meeting after receiving phone call complaints the previous evening and receiving written complaints yesterday morning concerning

the library offering the education event. [Article](#)

Health Advocates Urge WH Library To Turn off Wi-Fi—*O'Dwyer's* by Jack O'Dwyer (Released 2/25/2016) - Wi-Fi health advocate Cecelia Doucette is urging the Westhampton Library to quickly pull the plug on Wi-Fi, citing dangers to patrons and especially children. The newly expanded library board is resisting so far. Doucette provides links to a number of sources that support claims that Wi-Fi does not belong in a public place like a library. Especially at risk, they say, are children, babies, fetuses, and senior citizens. [Article](#)

Rosa Parks Collection, Digitized & Online—*Minitex* by Jennifer Hootman (Released 2/29/2016) - The [Rosa Parks Collection](#) held by the Library of Congress (LOC) has been digitized and is now available online. Containing 7,500 manuscripts and 2,500 photographs, the collection provides a full picture of her life which includes details about her personality, life growing up in the segregated South, and her civil rights work. [Article](#)

Smithsonian Digitizes & Lets You Download 40,000 Works of Asian and American Art—*Minitex* by Beth Staats (Released 2/29/2016) - The Freer and Sackler Collections of the Smithsonian, are home to some of the most important Asian art in the world. They have recently made their entire [collection](#) available online, and most of it can be downloaded. [Article](#)

Over There: Missouri & the Great War, a Digital Collection—*Minitex* by Jennifer Hootman (Released 2/22/2016) - [Over There: Missouri & the Great War](#) is a collaborative with the purpose of digitizing historical documents, photographs, artifacts, oral histories and other primary sources from libraries and collections throughout Missouri to tell the story of its role in World War I. [Article](#)

VA legislature: give parents veto over sexually charged school books—*Daily Press* (3/1/2016) - The state Senate voted Tuesday to give parents veto power over sexually ex-

PLICIT in school following a charged debate that dipped into the Bible. The measure would have the State Board of Education come up with criteria to identify sexually explicit material so schools can inform parents ahead of time. Parents who object could opt their students out, and alternative books would be provided. [Article](#)

California: San Jose Library Amnesty Weighed as Unpaid Fines Near \$7 Million—*Library Journal* by Gary Price (Filed 3/7/2016) - A whopping 39% of all San Jose Library cardholders—about 187,000 accounts—have racked up fines, and it's only getting worse. Now city officials are talking about everything from reducing fines, which are higher than at other Bay Area library systems, to an amnesty program to lure patrons back into the libraries to promote literacy than to punish patrons for overdue materials, even if it means giving up some badly needed revenue. [Article](#)

South Korea: Fewer University Students Use Libraries—*Library Journal* by Gary Price (Released 3/7/2016) - Kim Min-jin, 25, who attends a university in Seoul, used to go to the school library to browse books or to do coursework at least once a month when she was a freshman. But now, Kim rarely goes to the library. Instead, she simply turns to the Internet. Latest statistics show that Kim is one of an increasing number of university students who rely more on the internet than school libraries to do research and access books.

Gary Price: *What the article doesn't point out is an issue that we've talked about for years. While some people are not visiting a physical library facility, many electronic resources with material a university student might want to access are provided VIA the university library. In other words, the library community (and partners) need to do a better job in getting people to understand that library usage is more than a building.* [Article](#)

Training Control Center

Better Together—Strengthening Adult Learning Communities—Libraries, Adult Education and Workforce Regional Meetings— April 29 at Roseville (Minnesota Department of Education). May 9 at Mankato (Country Inn and Suites). May 16 at Grand Rapids (Saw Mill Inn). Join colleagues from adult education, libraries, & workforce development for a full-day learning opportunity. The workshops are designed to increase our collective capacity to work together to improve adult literacy and workforce outcomes for Minnesotans. [Email](#) Emily Kissane for more information.

Teaching at the Intersections: Aligning Scholarly Communication and Information Literacy in the One-Shot Library Instruction Session—ACRL April 7, 1:00pm Central **fee \$90**—If we expect undergraduate students to interact with the products of scholarly communication throughout their college career and beyond, we are obligated to teach them about the processes, circumstances, and influences at play in their production. However, it can be difficult to dive into the world of scholarly communication in a one-shot instruction session with limited time and many learning goals. This webcast will provide participants with ideas and skills to develop pedagogical strategies that engage undergraduate students on a range of scholarly communication issues within a one-shot instruction session. [Webcast](#)

Teaching with Primary Sources—RUSA April 20, 2:00pm Central **fee \$65**—A colleague from archives and special collections provides a general introduction to teaching with primary sources. [Register](#)

The Horizon Roadshow: Washington & Minnesota—SirsiDynix— September 15, 9:00am-4:00pm CDT Brookdale Library, Brooklyn Center, MN—SirsiDynix executives and

trainers are traveling across the country to bring Horizon presentations, trainings, and updates straight to you. Our next stops? Washington and Minnesota! Invite your colleagues and join us for a free, one-day event at the Brookdale Library to discover Horizon information from helpful tips and tricks to upcoming BLUEcloud development. [Register](#)

Bon Appetit! Spring Books on Food, Drink, and More—Library Journal March 22, 3:00pm EST—With fresh offerings from Chelsea Green Publishing and Shadow Mountain, we'll help you stay up to speed on some of the latest titles debuting this spring guaranteed to whet the appetites of your patrons and inspire them to whip up something special this spring. [Register](#)

IFLA in Columbus—March 24, 2:00pm Central—Are you interested in attending an International library conference at home? This year's International Federation of Library Association and Institutions World Library and Information Congress offers you the chance to interact with global library community in Columbus, OH, August 13-19. This webinar will provide you with an introduction to IFLA, details about the Congress, and all that wonderful opportunities that colleagues in Columbus have put in place for you and the other 3,500 delegates from 120 countries. [Register](#)

Christian Fiction Book Roundup—Library Journal March 23, 3:00pm—Whether it's the newest from genre staples Beverly Lewis and Francine Rivers or a romantic/suspense novella from Dee Henderson, Dani Pettrey, and Lynette Eason, these picks will appeal to a range of readers—avid fans and Christian Fiction newcomers alike. [Register](#)

Library Love for LibraryReads—Booklist March 29, 1:00pm CDT—LibraryReads is a librarian-driven venture where public library staff can help build word-of-mouth for

new books. Hear representatives from HarperCollins, Other Press, Penguin Random House, Simon & Schuster, and Skyhorse Publishing share forthcoming titles perfect for public libraries—and for your LibraryReads nominations! [Register](#)

Justifying the Library—Using Assessment to Justify Library Investments—NISO Virtual Conference April 20, 10:00am-4:00pm Central—When resources are tight, it is important that everyone is able to justify the role we serve in accomplishing an institutional mission. One approach to relating the story of this value is to use data in support of that narrative. This virtual conference will examine the many ways in which an institution can show its value and the data that can be used in support of that argument. [Register](#)

Code Your Library—Library Journal Starts April 20, 4 Week Course **price \$225.00**—Computer programming courses aren't just designed to train the next generation of software developers. They introduce children and adults to new career paths and give individuals the chance to learn the technologies impacting their lives. This course will help you develop a coding program for children and adults. [Register](#)

New Spring Nonfiction for the Library, Classroom and Home—Library Journal March 24, 3:00pm ET—Seeking something new to entice your nonfiction fans? Look no further! Titles that inform, fulfill the needs of classroom teachers, and entertain are right around the corner. [Register](#)

Virtual Reference: An Intro eCourse—ALA **fee \$175.00** begins May 2 and continues for 4 weeks—Reference services do not just occur face-to-face anymore—they occur over email, Twitter and Facebook—the ways are endless. Reference 2.0 is unavoidable in the current digital landscape and is increasingly being offered by public and academic libraries throughout the U.S. In this eCourse, expert Sujin Huggins will walk you through the standards, processes, and pitfalls of virtual reference. [Register](#)

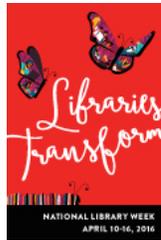
Virginia Public Library

Info submitted by Friends of the Virginia Public Library

Spring is just around the corner! Stop by the library to help the Friends of the Library celebrate **National Library Week** and prepare for the busy summer season by chipping in at the Friends of the Library **Spring Book Sale—new this year!** Please RSVP to volunteer, see below.

Schedule:

- April 11-25—**Donations** (in good condition) accepted
- April 22—**Set-up** for the sale, 1:00-5:00pm
- April 25—**Set-up** for sale,



10:00am-5:00pm

- April 26—**EARLY BIRD Sale**, 3:00-5:00pm (Current Friends of Library members only)
- April 37—**BOOK SALE**, 10:00am-5:00pm
- April 28—**BOOK SALE**, 10:00am-5:00pm

Volunteers working on Friday or Monday may purchase items on those days. We will not be having a bake sale in the Spring.

DVDs, CDs, etc. have not been purged yet, so they may not be available until fall.

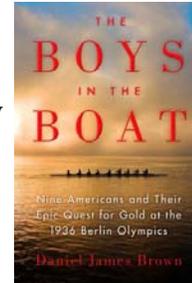
Poster is on the next page and available at the library or at the Friends of the Library meetings. Please pick up some copies and distribute to community bulletin boards at the places you frequent!

The next **Friends of the Library meeting** is 4:00pm, Tuesday, March 8 in the library auditorium.

The volunteer sign-up sheet will be at the March and April Friends meetings, or call Linda Squires at 218-248-0982 to sign up to help.

Thank you!

PS—One Book, One Northland: The Boys in the Boat—also coming in April—April 7, 12:00-1:00pm, Virginia Public Library—Read *The Boys in the Boat*, by Daniel James



Brown, and learn about the underdog 1936 US Olympics eight-man rowing team! Duluth-native and silver-medal-winning Olympian David Krmpotich is our featured speaker for this year's one Book, One Northland event. Book discussion to follow.

Obama Seeks Broadband for 20 Million More Subscribers

Article submitted by MaryLei Barclay

New York Times by Cecilia Kang (Released 3/9/2016) - President Obama, backing a plan to connect low-income families to more affordable broadband services, on Wednesday set a goal to get 20 million people subscribed to high-speed Internet by 2020.

In a Facebook post, Mr. Obama said a lack of broadband at home took a par-

ticularly harsh toll on students caught in a "homework gap," unable to complete school assignments because the work requires access to the web. "All of America's students should be able to get online, no matter where they live or how much their parents make," Mr. Obama wrote. "We're calling this effort ConnectAll—and it's not just good for students, it's good for folks looking for jobs or workers hoping to learn new skills."

The White House also released reports outlining the economic effects of broadband adoption, focused on how

families without broadband at home are at a disadvantage in finding jobs. Job seekers who search online find employment 25% faster than those who use traditional methods like newspaper classifieds, according to a report released by the Council of Economic Advisers.

The announcement underscores the government's view of high-speed Internet as a utility that should be regulated like water and power and should be extended to all residents. The White House has pushed for more affordable broadband with its ConnectHome initiative... [Article](#)

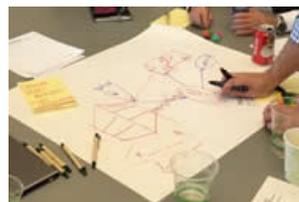
Sustainable Building 2030 Training

Article submitted by MaryLei Barclay

Minnesota State Library —Are you planning for a new building or for a substantial renovation? The [Center for Sustainable Building Research](#) is offering a series of three training sessions on *Bridging from Design to Operations: Designing, Owning and Op-*

erating a High Performance Building. The sessions will focus on how to design and operate buildings that meet the [B3 Sustainable Building 2030 \(SB 2030\) Energy Standard](#).

All Minnesota State bonded projects—new and substantially renovated—that started the Schematic Design Phase on or after August 1, 2009, are required to meet the SB 2030 energy standards. [Read the guidelines](#). This requirement applies



to Library Construction Grant projects.

The cost is \$100 per session or \$275 for the entire series of three classes which will take place on the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus in April, May and June 2016. Find more information and register [here](#) to attend.



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HISTORY AT MESABI EAST MINNESOTA FIRSTS



Historian Arn Kind brings Mesabi East 5th and 6th graders through a list of things invented in Minnesota, including the Tilt-a-Whirl, during his Minnesota Fabulous Firsts presentation. Kind is a former teacher who has developed fast-paced, interactive presentations focused around Minnesota history.

Kind gives a long list of inventions made in Minnesota and events that took place in the state during his program. The program was sponsored jointly by the Aurora and Hoyt Lakes Libraries and the Arrowhead Library System.



Kind leads students through the Pearl Harbor attack of the USS Ward, crewed by Minnesotans during Tuesday's presentation. The USS Ward recorded the first U.S. victory in World War II by sinking a Japanese mini-sub before the air attack began.



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St. Patrick's Day Ideas

Images found on Pinterest. Info Submitted by MaryLei Barclay



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