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Automation: What Should We Do??

by Denise Harders, Republican Valley Library System

Many libraries, both school and public, are wondering what to do about their existing library automation systems. Some have older programs that will not work with new computer operating systems (i.e. Windows 7). Others have products that are no longer supported (companies have gone out of business or been purchased). And, still more are trying to decide if they are getting their money's worth with the expensive maintenance agreements that are in place. Some libraries have never automated and would like to do so now, but are confused by the dizzying number of companies and options.

Selecting an automation program or **I**ntegrated **L**ibrary **S**ystem can be time-consuming. Each library director and board need to examine a variety of products and decide what level of service the budget will allow and, within that parameter, which system will fulfill the community's needs. Systems are available with a variety of functionality in every price range.

Purchasing an ILS is an important, long-lasting, and possibly, expensive decision. Here is a list of well-known vendors in alphabetical order and their websites. Contact information is provided, as well. The prices included in this article are "ball park" figures only. Actual prices are based on many factors including the size of the collection, number of workstations, and the add-on services requested (i.e. book jacket covers, reviews, etc.) and are subject to change. Please contact the individual vendors for specific pricing for your library.

Auto-graphics, AGent VERSO: <http://www4.auto-graphics.com/>. Complete ILS with catalog access for patrons via the Internet. Recently purchased by Lexington Public Library, but their online catalog is not yet operational. No cost information available. For specific details, contact Lynn D. Shrewsbury, Midwest Sales Representative, at lds@auto-graphics.com or call (800) 776-6939 Ext. 1538.

Biblionix, Apollo: <http://www.biblionix.com/products/apollo/>. An automation system designed for small- and medium-sized public libraries. Vendor offers a free trial with a demonstration library or your own data. Service subscription prices are quoted on an individual

library basis. This is a hosted system and the annual fee includes all server functionality, backups, customer support, upgrades, and access to a user forum. The local contact is Clark Charbonnet. Email him at clark@biblionix.com for more information. (Libraries in Meridian Library System using this system are Ord Township Library and Valentine Public Library.)

Book Systems, Atrium: <http://www.atrium.net/>. Complete ILS with catalog access for patrons via the Internet. First year cost including all transition expenses, technical support and training is approximately \$2,000. This system would be hosted by Book Systems, so very little local technical support is needed. The yearly cost of \$995 includes the Customer Service Agreement (technical support), the Hosting Fee, and all upgrades. The local representative is Merideth Wilcox. Email his assistant, Catherine LaMori at clamori@booksys.com or call (800) 249-6574 Ext. 6764 for more information or to schedule a demonstration. (Libraries in Meridian Library System using this system are St. Libory School, Shelton Public Library, Shelton Public Schools and Gibbon Public Library.)

COMPanion Corporation, Alexandria: <http://www.goalexandria.com/>. This is the system that the consortium in the Panhandle is using. To see the catalog, go to <http://libraries.ne.gov/sidney> and click on "Library Catalog" on the right-hand side of the page. According to a recent presentation to an RVLS library, the first year cost would be around \$1,500 with a yearly Customer Service Agreement fee of nearly \$900 after the first year. For more information, email info@companioncorp.com.

Follett, Destiny: <http://www.follettsoftware.com/library-automation-software>. A centrally-installed school library software system. Can be either district-hosted with your own technical support staff or hosted by Follett. A number of small public libraries have older Follett products, but this company has specialized their ILS software and support for schools. No cost information is available. Call (800) 323-3397 for more information.

InfoVision, Evolve: http://infovisionsoftware.com/library_software.php. Complete ILS designed for maximum convenience and ease of use, the system can be accessed over the Internet or run on your own servers. For libraries with 15,000 records or less the software cost is \$2,400. Implementation and training, including 2 full days of in-house training and data conversion, is \$2,500. These expenses can be set up on an extended payment plan. The \$900 yearly maintenance fee includes hosting, all upgrades, and call-in and online technical support. This fee is negotiable for small libraries. Contact Sarah Overbey for complete pricing details at soverbey@infovisionsoftware.com or (800) 849-1655 Ext. 106.

Library Thing: <http://www.librarything.com/>. Allows anyone to create a catalog of materials for free or very low cost (unlimited materials for a one-time \$25 fee). No automated circulation system—library would use pockets and cards. Biggest benefit—patrons can see your catalog online. RVLS is in the process of adding our professional collection and audiobooks to Library Thing. See it at <http://www.librarything.com/catalog/RepValleyLibrarySys>. Sort by using the drop-down "Collections" menu in the upper left-hand corner of the page. (The maximum size of your collection must be 5,000 volumes to use this. Sargent Public Library and Overton Public Library have loaded their collection into LibraryThing.)

Library World: <http://www.libraryworld.com/>. Complete web-based library automation service which includes management of cataloging, circulation, patron records, inventory control, and reports. Loomis Public School uses Library World. You can access their catalog at <http://loomiswolves.org/>. Click on "Loomis Library Online" on the left-hand side of the page. New libraries are created with an automatic free 30-day trial period. Up to 50,000 catalog records and 20,000 patrons is \$425 per year. Support is provided online, via email, and through a toll-free number. Automation supplies such as barcodes and scanners are available for purchase. For further information call (800) 852-2777 or email sales@libraryworld.com. (Valentine Public Schools in Meridian Library System uses this ILS.)

Mandarin, M3: <http://www.mlasolutions.com/products/m3.php>. The basic M3 library management

package is offered as a free download. Modules included are a patron access catalog, circulation, cataloging, and group editor. Does not include web access to the catalog unless optional product is purchased for \$260. Annual Service and Update Agreement is \$620 per site and includes the software license, reports, unlimited 24/7/365 technical support and product updates. The yearly fee for web access to the catalog is an additional \$125. The Nebraska Library Commission uses a Mandarin catalog. To see it, go to <http://nlc.nebraska.gov> and click on “NLC Catalog” at the top of the webpage. For more information, contact Arthur Graham at artg@mlasolutions.com or (800) 426-7477 Ext. 751.

Pioneer Library Automation Consortium: <http://lclpioneer.wordpress.com/>. This Nebraska group uses Koha Open Source ILS software. There are currently 16 member libraries. The intention is to be a multi-type consortium, but public libraries remain the priority for 2012. Holdrege Area Public Library is one of the founding members of this consortium. To see the catalog, go to <http://holdregelibrary.org/> and click on “Search Online Catalog” on the left-hand side of the webpage. Basic membership costs include a \$250 orientation fee, a one-time database set-up fee based on the library’s number of bibliographic records (up to 25,000 records = \$750), and 15 cents per record migrated. The annual maintenance fee is based on several factors including size of legal service area, operating revenue, collection size, and circulation. The expected minimum annual payment is \$350. No server hardware is required. If you have any questions or comments about membership in the Pioneer Consortium, please contact Steve Fosselman of the Pioneer membership committee at sf@gi.lib.ne.us or 308-385-5333. (In Meridian Library System, Grand Island Public Library and St. Paul Public Library uses this ILS.)

PrimaSoft Small Library Organizer Pro: http://www.primasoft.com/pro_software/library_software_pro.htm. Self-contained library software that will manage circulation, cataloging, patron records, and reports. No online catalog access for patrons. 30-day free trial. Total cost is \$245.



Paris in Love by Eloisa James is an entertaining memoir. James is a professor of Shakespeare at Fordham University and a Regency romance author. After a sobering bout with breast cancer, she and her Professor husband Alessandro sold their suburban home and possessions, took year long sabbaticals and moved to Paris with their two children. The book is filled with short essays and snippets of James’ observations on food, people and places to visit in Paris. Here’s a sample entry: “I have decided to adopt a French style of dieting, not including the leek soup. It has become clear that French dinner plates are smaller than American ones, and French people eat very small portions, forgoing seconds. Alessandro is complaining, as I order a full meal and leave him to finish a good part of it. I find that eating two spoonfuls of crème brulee is infinitely preferable to eating none whatsoever.” What a delightful way for me to visit Paris!



Library Journal Design Institute

I was one of the lucky people to register early enough to secure a spot at the Library Journal Design Institute in Denver; a one-day event focusing on buildings and design. The morning panel was on Spaces for Creation, collaboration, Community in a Digital World. This was followed by one of two breakout sessions where participants met with architects to discuss a group design "challenge." Each of the challenges focused on a library in the beginning stages of a remodel or rebuilds. Our group challenge was to imagine what their new library would look like if money were not an object. After lunch and visits with vendors, the first afternoon panel looked at Interior Innovations and the second at Budget Challenged Building: The New Reality. The second breakout session ended the afternoon.

Here are my random notes from the day. I hope they will challenge you to rethink your space!

A showing of hands indicated that most libraries represented at this Institute think their physical book collections will be 50% smaller within the next ten years. This will allow for more open space for displays and browsing. With regards to display, monitor what types of things you have in displays and constantly refresh. Also, put displays where traffic moves most through the library.

Today's technology looks different. You need more furniture than computer station tables.

Libraries have many different roles and this fragmentation of our time and energy causes challenges. Think long-term as well as short-term. Think modular in design rather than permanent. (This idea of movable walls rather than permanent walls was repeated several times during the day.) Trust

your architect. Work on your strategic plan first; then do your design for repurposing.

Libraries are now less "libraries as storage" than libraries as social space and a variety of experience. Make sure your library really represents your community. Make sure they have access to new tools and to staff. New tools include the following: 3D printers, teen recording booth, public art, and community gardens. Bring in community artists for collaboration. Work with a local hospital on providing health and wellness sessions. Make sure you have furniture that can be moved. Be sure to have privacy areas: people want a way to not interrupt others or have others interrupting them.

Currently, two-thirds of costs will be on the hard costs, i.e. building. The soft costs include furniture and things that move and programs. Plan for obsolescence. We are moving away from big block linear libraries to flexible open spaces with display areas. Be sure to have a variety of spaces for activities. Also, have task lighting that can be moved.

Budget:

Don't build if you don't have the budget. Don't cost cut. Build for the future with quality.

Hire an architect who knows what he's doing (and has worked on libraries before.) Build shared spaces that are used at all hours.

The greatest value of a library is the success of your services and programs. Spend more in the interior and less on the building. Create a compelling story for potential funders. Enlist your public early and make sure you have their input on what they want the library to be.

Shared space means that libraries can be smaller today.

Reuse old buildings. They are often in great locations. Before doing a retrofit, look at floor loads and lighting as they are the most usual problem areas.

The two breakout sessions I attended were for the Sheridan Public Library in Colorado and the Fish Creek Branch of the Calgary Public Library in Alberta, Canada. The Sheridan library is currently housed in the local high school and they are losing that space. The idea is to build a new library adjacent to the school and share parking. I was in the group that was tasked with designing the multi-use space and we had a blast! We put in study pods, a corner theater area that could be used for storytimes, plays, etc. We had a 3D printer area and a couple of quiet study areas. Everything was multi-use and all the furniture was moveable. The second library is currently spread out over three floor with an uninviting exterior and a soaring ceiling. We were given free rein to design the space. We put teens on the third floor along with a performance studio. The second floor was adult collection and quiet browsing areas. The main floor had self-checkout area, small reference desk and the children's area. We also redesigned the exterior with lighting, benches and landscaping to make it more friendly.

This was a great day of learning new trends in buildings and networking with others. If you ever get a chance to attend a Design Institute, I highly recommend it!



Private computer/study pod



Golden Sower 2011-2012 WINNERS and HONOR BOOKS

Selected by a record-breaking 70,923 readers across the great state of Nebraska!

Primary Winner: [Dewey: There's a Cat in the Library!](#) by Vicki Myron & Bret Witter; □ illustrated by Steve James

Primary Honor Books:

[I Need My Monster](#) by Amanda Noll; illustrated by Howard McWilliam

[Help Me, Mr. Mutt! Expert Answers for Dogs with People Problems](#) written by Janet Stevens & Susan Stevens Crummel; illustrated by Janet Stevens

Intermediate Winner: [Closed for the Season](#) by Mary Downing Hahn

Intermediate Honor Books:

[Dying to Meet You](#) by Kate Klise; illustrated by M. Sarah Klise

[The Magic Thief](#) by Sarah Prineas

Young Adult Winner: [The Compound](#) by Stephanie A. Bodeen

Young Adult Honor Books:

[Graceling](#) by Kristin Cashore

[The Juvie Three](#) by Gordon Korman

Meridian Library System
Board Meeting Minutes
Conference Call
April 16, 2010 at 8:15 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Sherry Crow at 8:15 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Sherry Crow, Janet Wilke, Christine Walsh, Linda Nickel, Charlotte Rassmussen, Debra Moninger and Laurie Yocom were present. Sharon Osenga was also present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Laurie Yocom moved and Janet Wilke seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Laurie Yocom's and Christine Walsh's names were misspelled. Debra Moninger motioned and Linda seconded to approve the minutes with changes. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Sharon reviewed correspondence.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sharon reviewed the financial reports. Linda Jelken moved and Janet Wilke seconded to approve the bills through March 31, 2012. Motion passed by voice vote.

NLC REPORT: There was no report from NLC. Sherry Crow shared that there will be a survey coming up soon for libraries.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Sharon reviewed her written Director's Report.

The Summer Reading Program Workshop in Oconto was successful.

The YART spring Meetings is Saturday, April 14th and is co-sponsored by Meridian and Republican Valley Library Systems. The theme is Collection Development.

The Regional Library Systems are sponsoring a Leadership Institute Reunion on July 13th in Lincoln.

Meridian and Republican Valley Library Systems are planning on sponsoring a one-day Youth Services Retreat in the next fiscal year. Half the day will focus on creating and posting online book trailers.

The Regional Library Systems are co-sponsoring a pre-conference with Read Aloud Nebraska. We also requested a double session for Nebraska Author Panel at the Fall Conference.

PLA Conference: The PLA conference in Philadelphia reports from Sharon and Delilah are in the current newsletter.

The Annual Meeting is set for Friday, June 22nd at the Kearney Public Library. The business meeting will be at 11:00 a.m. followed by a catered lunch. The program will be "The History of Nebraska as told by Peter Sarpy". This is a Chautauqua style program and will be open to the public.

Nancy Jack has retired from Wood River Public Library. Jan Weber is retiring from Ord Jr-Sr High School Library. She will not be replaced. Colleen Grint will be responsible for K-12 beginning in September. Joan Cox from Sunshine Township Library in Mason City has retired. Sharon will be meeting with board members from Mason City April 19th. Joyce Christian is no longer at Anselmo-Merna Schools.

SYSTEM BUSINESS:

Ann Matzke has agreed to serve a second term on the System Board. Laurie Yocom moved and Debra Moninger seconded to approve Ann Matzke's second term. Motion passed. Christie Walsh and Charlotte Rasumussen will be going off the Board at the end of this fiscal year (June 30th). Anyone interested can fill out the form in the current newsletter or on the website. We currently have no openings on the board for Buffalo County residents.

The System survey was discussed. Sharon will send out the survey in September through Zoomerang.

At the last quarterly meeting with NLC, Rod asked each System for equipment needs. Sharon put in a request for replacement of the iMac computer. Sharon also discussed the System car with Rod. Rod asked if we were interested in leasing a car instead of owning one. Following board discussion, Linda Jelken moved and Laurie Yocom seconded that the board recommend the system keep our current vehicle but may need to request funds from NLC in the event of major repairs. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be the Annual Meeting on June 22, 2012 at 11:00 a.m..

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Delilah Gillming,
Administrative Assistant

Upcoming Spring/Summer Mystery Titles:

Random House

Butterfly Clues by Kate Ellison
Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn
Brenner and God by Wolf Haas
Last Kind Words, The by Tom Piccirilli
Heartbroken by Lisa Unger
Fatal Debt, A by John Gapper
Criminal by Karin Slaughter
Fireproof by Alex Kava
Joy Brigade by Martin Limon
Dead Do Not Improve, The by Jay Caspi-an Kang
Last Victim, The by Karen Robards
Pigeon Pie Mystery, The by Julia Stuart
Double Game, The by Dan Fesperman
Stranger in The Room by Amanda Kyle Williams
Mission to Paris by Alan Furst
Odd Apocalypse by Dean Koontz
Last To Die: A R&I Novel by Tess Ger-ritsen
Wanted Man, A by Lee Child
Phantom by Jo Nesbo

MacMillan

Inquisitor, The by Mark Allen Smith
Beneath The Shadows by Sara Foster
Simple Murder, A by Eleanor Kuhns
Killing in the Hills, A by Julia Keller
Don't Ever Get Old by Daniel Friedman
Sacrifice Fly by Tim O'Mara
Nightmare, The by Lars Kepler
Fatal Winter, A by G M Malliet
Dead Scared by Sj Bolton
Kill You Twice by Chelsea Cain

Other Woman, The by Hank Phillippi Ryan

Harper Collins

The Grand Tour by Agatha Christie
The Hollow Man by Oliver Harris
Strong Poison by Dorothy Sayers
Blood Line by Lynda La Plante
The Body in the Boudoir by Katherine Hall Page
The Worst Is Yet To Come by Mary Daheim
Cat Bearing Gifts by Shirley Rousseau Murphy
Never Tell by Alafair Burke
An Unmarked Grave by Charles Todd
The Prisoner of Heaven by Carlos Ruiz Zafon
Bloodline by James Rollins
Into The Darkest Corner by Elizabeth Haynes
15 Seconds by Andrew Gross
Fallen Angel by Daniel Silva
Flight From Berlin by David John
Judgment Call by J.A. Jance
Buried On Avenue B by Peter De Jonge
Sentinel by Matthew Dunn
Disappear Here by Laura Lippman
The Cutting Season by Attica Locke

Severn House

Whispering of Spies, A by Rosemary Rowe
Tintern Treasure, The by Kate Sedley
Dead Ends by Sandra Balzo
Laws in Conflict by Cora Harrison
Murder in Mind by Veronica Heley
Corpse of St James's, The by Jeanne M Dams
Lambs to the Slaughter by Sally Spencer
It Was a Very Bad Year by Robert Randisi
Dead Weight by Susan Rogers Cooper
Song of the Nightingale, The by Alys Clare
Summon up the Blood by R. N. Morris
The Midnight Man by Paul Doherty
Watching the Ghosts by Kate Ellis
Undercover by Bill James

Flowers for the Judge by Margery Allingham
The Tiger in the Smoke by Margery Allingham
Missing by Karin Alvtegen
Blotto, Twinks and the Ex-King's Daughter by Simon Brett
Blotto, Twinks and the Dead Dowager Duchess by Simon Brett
The Faces of Angels by Lucretia Grindle
An Advancement of Learning by Reginald Hill
Deadheads by Reginald Hill
Traitor's Blood by Reginald Hill
The Spy's Wife by Reginald Hill
The Second-Last Woman in England by Maggie Joel
A Man Lay Dead by Ngaio Marsh
The Nursing Home Murder by Ngaio Marsh
A Dark Dividing by Sarah Rayne
Ghost Song by Sarah Rayne
The Herring-Seller's Apprentice by LC Tyler
Ten Little Herrings by LC Tyler
The Herring in the Library by LC Tyler

2012 EDGAR AWARDS

Mystery Writers of America presented the Edgar Awards on April 26, 2012, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City. Congratulations to the winners (listed first in each category) and to all of the nominees.

Grand Master: Martha Grimes

Best Mystery Novel: *Gone* by Mo Hayder
The Ranger by Ace Atkins
The Devotion of Suspect X by Keigo Higashino
1222 by Anne Holt
Field Gray by Philip Kerr

Best First Novel by an American Author: *Bent Road* by Lori Roy
Red on Red by Edward Conlon
Last to Fold by David Duffy
All Cry Chaos by Leonard Rosen
Purgatory Chasm by Steve Ulfelder

Best Paperback Original: *The Company Man* by Robert Jackson Bennett
The Faces of Angels by Lucretia Grindle
The Dog Sox by Russell Hill
The Death of the Mantis by Michael Stanley

Vienna Twilight by Frank Tallis

Best Short Story: "The Man Who Took His Hat Off to the Driver of the Train" by Peter Turnbull, Ellery Queen Mystery Magazine
"Marley's Revolution" by John C. Boland, Alfred Hitchcock Mystery Magazine
"Tomorrow's Dead" by David Dean, Ellery Queen Mystery Magazine
"The Adakian Eagle" by Bradley Denton, Down These Strange Streets
"Lord John and the Plague of Zombies" by Diana Gabaldon, Down These Strange Streets
"The Case of Death and Honey" by Neil Gaiman, A Study in Sherlock

Best Critical/Biographical: *On Conan Doyle: Or, the Whole Art of Storytelling* by Michael Dirda
The Tattooed Girl: The Enigma of Stieg Larsson and the Secrets Behind the Most Compelling Thrillers of our Time by Dan Burstein, Arne de Keijzer & John-Henri Holmberg
Agatha Christie: Murder in the Making by John Curran
Detecting Women: Gender and the Hollywood Detective Film by Philippa Gates
Scripting Hitchcock: Psycho, The Birds and Marnie by Walter Raubicheck and Walter Srebnick

Mary Higgins Clark Award: *Learning to Swim* by Sara J. Henry
Now You See Me by S.J. Bolton
Come and Find Me by Hallie Ephron
Death on Tour by Janice Hamrick
Murder Most Persuasive by Tracy Kiely

The Kindle and BeBook eReaders
Will be available for borrowing from August through the end of the year. Contact the system office if you wish to be put on the list.

The AccuCut cutting machines are available for the months of November and December.

The Wii gaming system is available for loan at any time. Perhaps you might want to use it for a Summer Reading Program gaming day.

2012 NLA/NEMA/MPLA Pre-Conference

RUN, RUN TO READING ALOUD!

Wednesday, October 17 – La Vista, Nebraska Conference Center

Featuring children's book authors

Jim Aylesworth & Lisa Campbell Ernst



And Nebraska children's book authors

Julia Cook

Ted Kooser

Preston McDaniels
& James Solheim

AGENDA

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Registration, Coffee and Book Sales

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
One Book, One School

11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
The Teacher Who Became An Author
Jim Aylesworth

12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.
Lunch on your own

1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Nebraska Children's Book Author Panel
with Julia Cook, Ted Kooser,
Preston McDaniels and James Solheim

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
*Gifts of the Universe:
Inspiration, Hard Work, and Grace*
Lisa Campbell Ernst

4:00 p.m.
Book Signing

REGISTRATION

\$40 if received by July 1

\$45 if received between July 1 and Sept. 20

\$50 after Sept. 20
(15% discount for MPLA members)

You can register online at
nebraskalibraries.org/triconference2012

For more program details or to reserve books
by the authors please visit
www.readaloudnebraska.org

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School, Children's and Young People's Section
of the Nebraska Library Association.

Email info@readaloudnebraska.org
if you have any questions

2012 Annual Meeting

Peter Sarpy: Pioneer, Fur Trader and Namesake of Sarpy County Nebraska



Peter Sarpy (1805-1865), was a key figure in the transformation of Indian Country into Nebraska Territory. From his trading posts in St. Mary's, Iowa, and Bellevue, Nebraska, he operated the first steam ferry boat from Iowa to the Oregon, Mormon and California Gold Rush trail heads. He helped publish the first newspaper, created the first bank, helped negotiate favorable treaties with the Indians, laid out the streets of Bellevue and was Quartermaster General of the first Nebraska Militia Regiment.

This costumed presentation, which has been extremely popular with thousands of audience members of all ages, is 45 minutes in length and presented in Sarpy's native French accent.

June 22, 2012

Kearney Public Library

11:00 a.m. Business Meeting

Lunch on Site

1:30 p.m. The History of Nebraska as told by Peter Sarpy



The Nebraska Humanities Council (NHC) provides major funding for this program. The NHC receives support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Nebraska State Legislature, the Nebraska Cultural Endowment and private donations.

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Library Additions and Renovations

Overton Public Library: New paint, carpet, windows, outdoor sign, furniture and restroom. The library has also put their catalog on LibraryThing.



Ainsworth Public Library: A new fireplace and sitting area plus a room addition to house shelving, tables and individual work spaces.



This fireplace area will be decorated each month by a local business or club.

