



# Plain Speaking

Central Plains Library System

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## Full STEAM Ahead

Makerspaces, STEAM Activities, STEM Learning. What should we offer? Should we buy it or borrow it? How much will this take out of my budget? It is all SO confusing!

The purpose for a new Central Plains Library System program is to help librarians with some of these questions...and more. The **Full STEAM Ahead** Workshop is our way of providing hands-on assistance for library staff members that are making decisions about programming and purchasing. At these workshops, we will be demonstrating items that can be borrowed from the System and others that can be bought through a group purchasing opportunity. There are *so many* things out there, it is good to see popular items in person so that you can try them before you buy them.

One often-requested item that we will **NOT** be demonstrating, is a 3-D Printer. We had one in our office for several months. It was a Junior 3-in-1 from XYZ Printing. When I bought it (for just under \$500), I thought it would be a terrific, low cost, 3-D printing option. My intention was to

find a 3-D Printer that small libraries could afford to get with money from their budgets or with quick fund-raisers. That is not what happened.

When it printed, it was really cool. People from all over our office building came to see it work. However, I spent many hours trying to get it to print. It was difficult to load the filament. The hardware updates failed regularly. The software was clunky and not easy to figure out. The manufacturer's Operator's Manual and telephone customer service were pretty dismal. The filament had to be unloaded every time you were finished printing and reloaded to start another project. The extruder nozzle clogged easily and often. (I have a burn scar on my fingertip from working on that problem.) Overall, I spent more time working on it than it did printing. I know that library staff members do not have that kind of time.

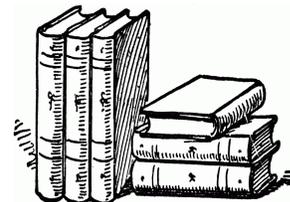
I discussed it with the CPLS Board and we came to the conclusion that 3-D Printing is a terrific Makerspace activity...if you can afford a quality machine. The one that is used in the Innovation Studios Grant project is in the \$3,500 range. It was decided to

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return the machine we had and to wait until the better quality machines come down in price.

I am disappointed that I was not able to find a 3-D Printer that we could lend to our member libraries, but I am excited about the coding games, robots, electronic building components, microscope, telescope, and virtual reality headsets that we are offering. We are still going

**Full STEAM Ahead.**

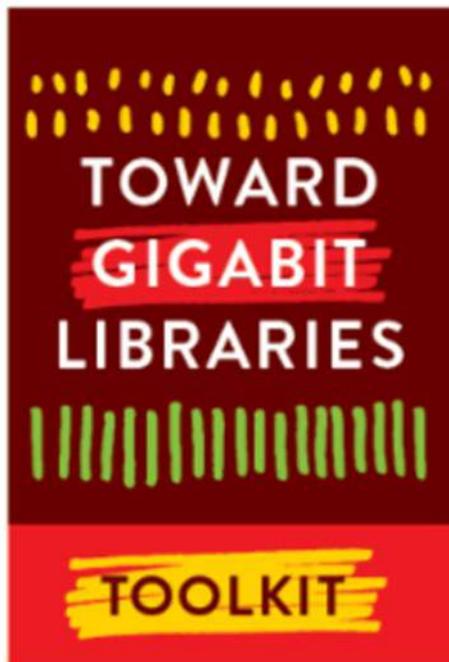


## **NCompass Live: Improving Internet Access In US Libraries: the Toward Gigabit Libraries Project**

**March 6, 10:00 am**

Register: <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/scripts/calendar/eventshow.asp?ProgID=17974>

While much worthy attention has been paid to improving "last mile" connectivity for rural and tribal libraries, it's the last 100 meters (the network inside the building) that is often overlooked and in need of improvement. The IMLS-funded [Toward Gigabit Libraries](#) project aims to address that problem through a self-service toolkit suitable for even the most novice of library workers.



In straightforward, easy-to-understand language, the toolkit is designed to take lay people through technical concepts and tasks to create a Broadband Improvement Plan for each library. The plan is designed to help the library where it's needed most - including improvements to hardware, software and configuration, suggestions for training and education, resources to advocate for better connectivity, and more. Fresh from the overwhelmingly successful pilot implementation of the toolkit in Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, Washington, Alaska, Pennsylvania, and Connecticut, the presenters will share the results of the pilot, lessons learned, and how this free toolkit applies to libraries of all types and sizes.

**Presenters:** *Carson Block*, Library Technology Consultant; *Holly Woldt*, NLC Library Technology Support Specialist; and *Tom Rolfes*, Education IT Manager, Nebraska Information Technology Commission.

# Full STEAM Ahead!

SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING  
ARTS MATHEMATICS

## Three great locations to choose from:

**Atkinson Public Library**      **February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

210 West State St.

Atkinson, NE 68713

**Hastings Public Library**      **February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

314 N. Denver

Hastings, NE 68901

**Wilson Public Library**      **February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

910 Meridian Ave.

Cozad, NE 69130

S.T.E.A.M. is the way of the future! But what is S.T.E.A.M.? It is an educational approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics as access points for guiding student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking. Technological innovation is the way to ensure a prosperous future which means that all students having access to high-quality learning opportunities in S.T.E.A.M. subjects is a priority.

Come learn all the fun ways to integrate S.T.E.A.M. into your library programs with this hands-on workshop! You will learn how to put the fun in learning with all the new items the CPLS office has added to their list of equipment. All the items will be available for loan starting March 2019.

The workshop will be held at three different locations. Select which location best suits your schedule. Each workshop will be held from **10am-2:30pm**. Participants will receive **4 CEU's** for attending.



## AGENDA

10am-10:15am – S.T.E.A.M.

10:15-10:45am – Blocks Rock!

10:45am-11:30am – Bloxels

11:30am-Noon – liittleBits

12pm-12:30pm – LUNCH (provided)

12:30pm-1:00pm – Microscope & Telescope

1:00pm-2:00pm – Robots & Spheros

2:00pm-2:15pm – More STEAM

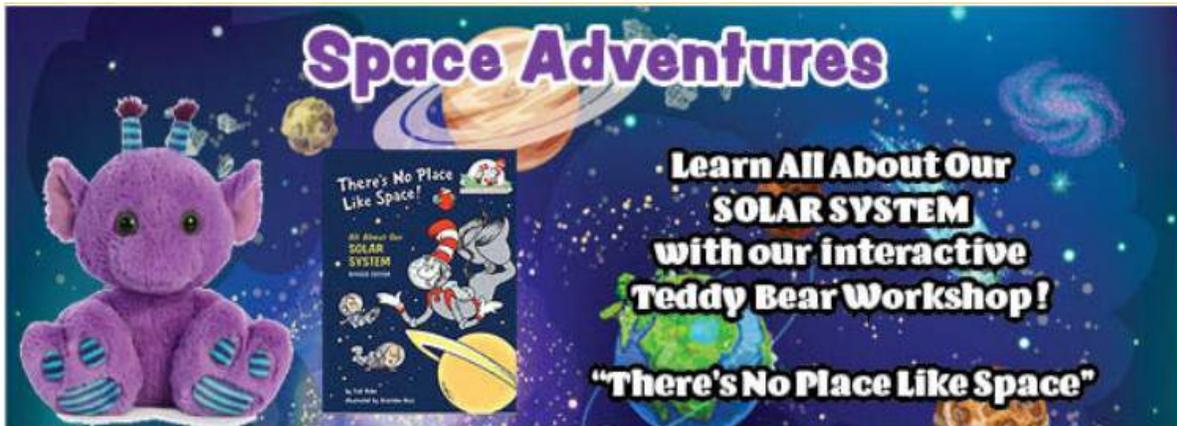
2:15pm-2:30pm – Wrap Up/Q&A

Please register for the location of your choice:

<https://goo.gl/forms/rFIIDWzN4xZPfGwv1>

This activity is supported in part with funding from the State of Nebraska and from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provision of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Nebraska Library Commission.

## Take Your Summer Campers on a Space Adventure!



**Noah's Ark Animal Workshop is an onsite Teddy Bear Workshop, like Build-A-Bear, except the kids do the stuffing, and we offer a story book connection!**

During the workshop, the children are first read a story and are introduced to the characters, then bring their own 15" plush pal to life by hand-stuffing it, wishing on a star and naming it with a birth certificate.

Central Plains Library System and Western Library System are getting together to get the **BEST** price! The library price is normally \$10.99 per stuffed character. If we place a big enough order, we could get the price as low as \$8.25 per character.

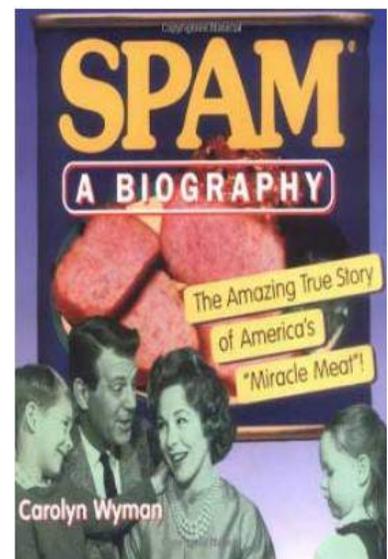
Please email Autumn at [autumnc.pls@gmail.com](mailto:autumnc.pls@gmail.com) by **April 1, 2019**, to reserve enough stuffable aliens for your Library's Teddy Bear Workshop.

## Weird Book Room

Welcome to AbeBooks' **Weird Book Room** - heralded by the *New York Times*, Canada's *Globe and Mail*, *The Times of London*, and *The Guardian* (UK) as the finest source of everything that's bizarre, odd and downright weird in books. Everyone's talking about it - author Neil Gaiman is even tweeting about it, posting a link and suggesting his followers: "Go to this link and gaze on the titles and be made happy. Trust me. It'll work".

With new titles added periodically, we have an excellent selection of crazy and strange titles for sale by our booksellers, about every oddball aspect of life you could possibly imagine (and a few things you couldn't). Some of the selections are serious books, but out of context, the titles tickled our funny bones.

<https://www.abebooks.com/books/weird/>



# Central Plains Library Systems

## Summer Reading Workshops

# A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

One fun filled Summer Reading Workshop is already over. Make sure you are registered for the final workshop to be held in Ravenna on **March 29th**. You don't want to miss this out-of-this-world event!



Date: March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Location: Ravenna Public Library  
324 Milan Ave.  
Ravenna, NE 68869

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm

CEU's Earned: 4.5

**(Registration Deadline: March 22<sup>nd</sup>)**

## AGENDA

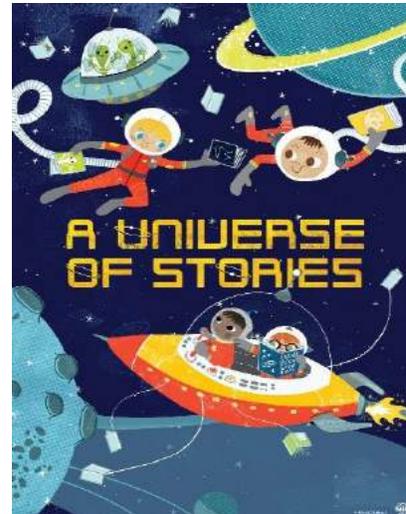
- 9:30-10am Registration & Mingle
- 10-11:30am Book Review by Sally Snyder, NLC
- 11:30-12:15pm CPLS Presents.....
- 12:15-1:30pm LUNCH & Sharing Time  
(lunch is included in your registration fee)
- 1:30-3:30pm Activities & Crafts with Jody Crocker  
(McCook City Library)

Please register online: <https://goo.gl/forms/LucegM89JoVOgeYD3>

\$10 Registration fee may be sent to (or payable at the door on the day of the workshop):

Central Plains Library System  
2727 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite #233  
Hastings, NE 68901

In case of inclement weather, please contact CPLS office to see if the workshop has been rescheduled (800-569-4961 or 402-705-1409).



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**Central Plains Library System  
January 11, 2019  
Conference Call**

**Present:** Tony Anderson, Doris Brandon, Judy Hagan, Janene Hill, Terri Johnson, Mo Khamouna, Shawna Lindner, Lori Long, Matt Williams

**Absent:** Terri Eberly, Jane Hilton, Linda Nickel

**Also Present:** Denise Harders, Christa Porter

**Call to Order/Roll Call:** Judy Hagan called the meeting of the Central Plains Library System to order.

**Approval of Minutes:** Terri Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2018 meeting. Mo Khamouna seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

**Financial Report:** Denise Harders reviewed the financial report. Denise ran the reports as Kay is has been out of the office. Currently, less than 50% of the budget has been spent. We are halfway through the year, so we are in good shape as far as budget spending. Terri Johnson had a question regarding the MakerSpace line. Denise explained that the line appears as if we have spent more than the budget, but it doesn't reflect monies we have been reimbursed. The accountant said there isn't a way to link reimbursements to that line, so they are listed in the Other Income line. Terri was asking as she wondered if it was a line item we should look at increasing in the future. Tony Anderson asked about item 907, specifically Board expenses of \$214.28. Denise explained the expense was lunch (Napoli's) at the last meeting.

Matt Williams made a motion to approve the budget report. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

**Correspondence:** Denise shared the thank you correspondence received from:

- Judy Hagan, Atkinson Public Library
- Amy Coffman, Maxine White-Sutherland Public Library
- Keri Anderson, Hoesch Memorial Public Library
- Libby Zitterkopf, Lexington Public Library
- Donna Kruse, Morton-James Public Library
- Matt McDowall, Calvin T. Ryan Library

Denise also shared an invitation to attend a celebration at Maltman Public Library in Wood River. They are celebrating their new accreditation on Wednesday, January 16. CPLS Board members are invited to attend.

**Director's Report:**

- Denise Harders shared her report. Denise has been on the road quite a bit due to the success of the MakerSpace items.
- She attended a K-3 event at McCook Public Schools with over 200 people attending. Attendees were given the opportunity to try various MakerSpace items: Sprockets, Spheros, Little Bits, Bloxels and more.
- A second, less expensive Cricut was purchased. This try before you buy item will have a two week rotation schedule.
- Many of the Maker items are reserved for three months out or more.
- Denise shared difficulties with the 3D printer that was purchased. She is concerned about it being a traveling item. It isn't plug and play as the representative stated. After discussion, it was decided Denise should return the 3D printer with hopes of obtaining credit to be used for other MakerSpace items. Terri Johnson made a motion to return the 3D printer for credit and Judy Hagan seconded the motion.

**Old Business:**

- The next CPLS Board meeting will be held in Atkinson at 11am on Friday, April 12, 2019.
- MakerSpace updates (see Director's Report)
- STEAM workshops are scheduled and all three have had good response so far. Many librarians are interested in attending.
- Golden Sower Reader's Meeting has been scheduled for Friday, June 7, 2019 in Kearney, NE. Denise and Shawna Lindner will be working together. At this meeting those wishing to be readers for Golden Sower will have the opportunity to read all of the picture book nominees on the readers list. Readers will then be encouraged to vote for their top ten titles.

**New Business:**

- Summer Reading Program workshops have been scheduled in McCook on January 25, 2019 (joint with Western Library System) and in Ravenna on March 29, 2019. Jody Crocker will be presenting the workshops for CPLS. At the meetings, she will be scheduling a caricature artist that will travel from library to library providing programs for a fee of \$100.
- It has been requested that the Public Library Director's Group begin meeting once again. The first meeting will be held in March. Future gathering will be held throughout the system. This will not be an education session, it will be an opportunity for Director's to discuss and have lunch.
- Autumn Carlson is doing a wonderful job and has been an asset to the system staff.
- Suggestions regarding the location of the annual meeting were made. Location ideas for the July 12, 2019 meeting were: Broken Bow, Burwell, Valentine and Ord. Denise will begin looking into the possibilities.
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**Report from the Library Commission by Christa Porter:**

Christa shared her report. Topics included:

- One Book, One Nebraska
- Grants
- Innovation Studio
- Accreditation

Denise mentioned there was an even split between Gold and Silver libraries in our System this year, as well as one Bronze level library.

- E-Rate
- Big Talk from Small Libraries

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

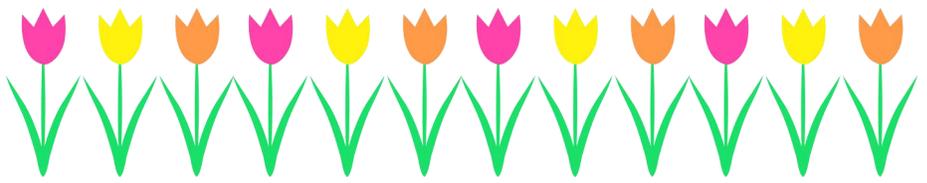
## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS



Once again, the Willa Cather Foundation will be awarding scholarships to high school seniors who plan to enroll in accredited colleges or universities as English or history majors next fall. January 31, 2019 is the deadline for the Norma Ross Walter Scholarship, which provides financial assistance to female graduates of Nebraska high schools who plan to enroll as English majors. February 28, 2019, is the deadline for the Antonette Willa Skupa Turner Scholarship, awarded to a male or female graduate of a Nebraska high school, and the Antonia Scholarship, open to all high school seniors nationwide, who plan to major in English or history. Application forms and details can be found on our website.

[Apply Here...](#)

# CPLS News



Activity at the McCook SRP Workshop.

**Bertrand Community School Librarian, Stephanie Dannehl**, has a passion for technology. She uses Virtual Reality headsets to take her students anywhere in the world (without paying airfare). An [article](#) in the January 21, 2019, ***Kearney Hub***, written by Ashley Bebensee, details how Stephanie uses technology in her school and the types of grants she sought out to buy it.



## \$44,800 in Internship Grants Awarded to Nebraska Public Libraries

Nebraskans will once again reap the benefits of the energy and creativity of Nebraska young people as they serve as interns in their local public libraries. The **Nebraska Library Commission** recently awarded **Nebraska Library Internship Grants** totaling \$44,800 to forty-six Nebraska public libraries. These internship grants will support public library interns, who will contribute to the scope and value of the diverse programs and activities in Nebraska's public libraries.

“The internships are a great opportunity for students to get involved in library work. Beyond earning money and gaining valuable work experience, the student is exposed to the broad range of library services and programming. Internships provide an opportunity for the student to view the library as a viable and satisfying career choice. In addition, interns bring a fresh perspective and their own unique talents to the library,” said Nebraska Library Commission Director Rod Wagner.

The following **Central Plains Library System public libraries** were awarded 2019 internship grant funding:

- Alma, Hoesch Memorial Library
- Atkinson Public Library
- Cozad, Wilson Public Library
- Franklin Public Library
- McCook Public Library
- Minden, Jensen Memorial Library

Additionally, twelve public libraries participating in the [Library Innovation Studios: Transforming Rural Communities](#) (LIS) project have also received 2019 internship grant funding. The interns hired in these libraries will primarily be working with this LIS makerspace grant.

The **Central Plains Library System libraries** include:

- Blue Hill Public Library
- Hastings Public Library



## 2019 Summer Reading Program Virtual Field Trip

The University of Nebraska State Museum of Natural History has created a **virtual field trip** for your **2019 “A Universe of Stories!”** summer reading program!

### **“Rocks Are Universal!”**

Ever wonder what is inside a meteorite, those space rocks that crash in to our world?  
And by the way, just what makes a rock a rock??

Your library audience will learn fun facts about the science of geology and meteorites with hands-on activities and lots of movement. By the end of 30-minutes your library full of “geologists” will know how a rock forms, changes, is classified, and how earth rocks may differ from those from outer space! Rocks truly are universal!

The program also includes several rock and meteorite oriented science experiences you can do in your library before or after the VFT.

This virtual field trip (VFT) is a live, interactive video conference with your library audience and a UNSM Educator based at Morrill Hall in Lincoln.

To connect all you need is an internet connection, a computer with video conferencing software (we suggest the free app Zoom) and a webcam/ microphone.

We are happy to help you figure out the simple logistics.

The programs costs \$80.

To register or for more information please contact [elephant@unl.edu](mailto:elephant@unl.edu).

## 2109 Youth Award Winners

The American Library Association (ALA) announced the top books, video, and audio books for children and young adults—including the Caldecott, Coretta Scott King, Newbery, and Printz awards—at its Midwinter Meeting in Seattle, Washington, on January 28, 2019.

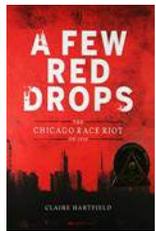
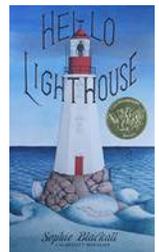


**John Newbery Medal** for the most outstanding contribution to children’s literature:

***Merci Suárez Changes Gears***, written by Meg Medina, is the 2019 Newbery Medal winner. The book is published by Candlewick Press.

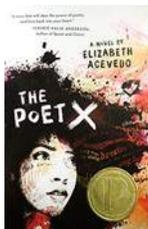
**Randolph Caldecott Medal** for the most distinguished American picture book for children:

***Hello Lighthouse***, illustrated and written by Sophie Blackall, is the 2019 Caldecott Medal winner. The book was published by Little, Brown and Company, a division of Hachette Book Group, Inc.



**Coretta Scott King (Author) Book Award** recognizing an African American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults:

***A Few Red Drops: The Chicago Race Riot of 1919***, written by Claire Hartfield, is the King Author Book winner. The book is published by Clarion Books, an imprint of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

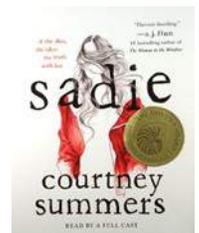


**Michael L. Printz Award** for excellence in literature written for young adults:

***The Poet X***, written by Elizabeth Acevedo, is the 2019 Printz Award winner. The book is published by HarperTeen, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers.

**Odyssey Award** for best audiobook produced for children and/or young adults, available in English in the United States:

***Sadie***, produced by Macmillan Audio from Wednesday Books, an imprint of St. Martin’s Press, is the 2019 Odyssey Award winner. The book is written by Courtney Summers and narrated by Rebecca Soler, Fred Berman, Dan Bittner, Gabra Zackman, and more.

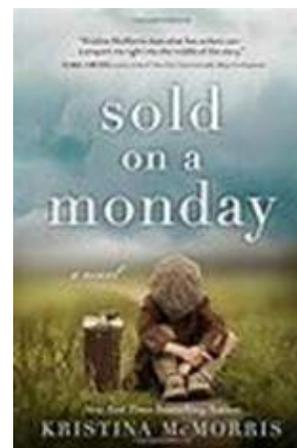


[Follow this link for a list of all the 2019 award winners.](#)

## New Book Club Set

**Sold on a Monday** by Kristina McMorris – 9 copies

“2 CHILDREN FOR SALE.” The sign is a last resort. It sits on a farmhouse porch in 1931, but could be found anywhere in an era of breadlines, bank runs and broken dreams. It could have been written by any mother facing impossible choices. For struggling reporter Ellis Reed, the gut-wrenching scene evokes memories of his family’s dark past. He snaps a photograph of the children, not meant for publication. But when it leads to his big break, the consequences are more devastating than he ever imagined. At the paper, Lillian Palmer is haunted by her role in all that happened. She is far too familiar with the heartbreak of children deemed unwanted. As the bonds of motherhood are tested, she and Ellis must decide how much they are willing to risk to mend a fractured family. Inspired by an actual newspaper photograph that stunned the nation, **Sold on a Monday** is a powerful novel of love, redemption, and the unexpected paths that bring us home.



Donated by Klyte Burt Memorial Library, Curtis

## Try Before You Buy

The Central Plains Library System has some new Makerspace Equipment for you to use at your library. The newest **Cricut** machine, the **Maker**, is available for one month at a time. The **Explore Air** may be borrowed for 2 weeks. Call or email to reserve. The **EasyPress** is also included with both machines.

### Cricut Maker

It handles fabrics, leather, and balsa wood with effortless precision. Cuts sewing patterns in just a few clicks. And places more creative possibilities than ever at your fingertips. Meet Cricut Maker—The ultimate smart cutting machine.



- Cuts the most materials. Cricut Maker cuts hundreds of materials quickly and accurately, from the most delicate fabric and paper to matboard and leather.
- Rotary Blade. With its gliding, rolling action, this blade cuts through virtually any fabric quickly and accurately – without backing material.
- Knife Blade. This extra-deep blade works like an X-ACTO knife to slice through heavier materials like 2.4 mm (3/32”) balsa wood and matboard.
- Easy-to-learn Design Space® software.



### Cricut EasyPress

- Lightweight, portable, easy to store.
- The giant, ceramic-coated 9” x 9” heat plate delivers the exact temperature you need.
- The evenly heated plate adheres your iron-on in 60 seconds or less.
- The big handle, Safety Base, and auto shutoff feature keep things safe every step of the way.

# CPLS Has Scholarship Money Available

Up to \$200.00 per event for registration, mileage, meal, etc.  
Only one scholarship per person per year.  
Each Library Agency shall be limited to two scholarships per year.



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Library \_\_\_\_\_

Event \_\_\_\_\_

Date of event \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship requested for \_\_\_\_\_ (meal, room, etc.)

Amount requested \_\_\_\_\_

Other information:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Send your request to:** Central Plains Library System  
2727 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street # 233  
Hastings, NE 68901

## Junior Ranger Night Explorers



The National Park Service has developed a Junior Ranger Night Explorer program, encouraging young park visitors to explore the dark side of their national parks.

Children can learn how to find the North Star, write their own creative mythology about the constellations, track the phases of the moon, learn about stars and galaxies, and use all their senses to explore the night environment at a national park.

This program could be used in conjunction with the summer reading program "A Universe of Stories." This would be a great way for kids to do something outside of the library and bring back their completed book by the end of summer for a prize

[For more information visit this link.](#)

## CPLS Board Meeting Schedule



April 12, 2019  
Atkinson Public Library  
11:00am

July 12, 2019  
Annual Meeting  
Location TBA

## New State Poet



Governor Pete Ricketts announced that Matt Mason of Omaha has been designated as Nebraska's next State Poet. The selection process was led by the Nebraska Arts Council, Humanities Nebraska, and the Nebraska Library Commission, a group of state agencies and organizations that together presented finalists to the Governor for consideration. Mason will be installed as Nebraska State Poet 2019-2023 during a ceremony that will be announced at a later date.

"From Willa Cather to Ted Kooser, Nebraska has been home to many talented authors, artists, and poets," said Governor Ricketts. "As our next State Poet, Matt will help celebrate Nebraska and bring our state together around our shared love of the Good Life."

The Nebraska State Poet is selected based on artistic excellence and exemplary professionalism demonstrated by significant publications and special honors, an established history of community service in the advancement of poetry in Nebraska, and the ability to present poetry and interact effectively with a public audience.



### 2019 Advocacy Day

March 12, 2019  
10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Nebraska State Capitol  
and lunch at the  
Cornhusker Marriott

I  my library



## Big Talk From Small Libraries

Small Libraries Doing Big Things!  
February 22, 2019 #BTSL2019

The full schedule for the 2019 Big Talk From Small Libraries online conference is now available! You will find it on the [Schedule](#) page. Information about our presenters is available on the [Speakers](#) page.

If you haven't registered yet, now is the time to jump over to the [Registration](#) page and sign up!

You are welcome to watch as an individual or to host a group viewing of the conference. If several staff members from the same library want to attend, you can just register for one seat and have staff members view/listen together via one workstation.

You can also host a viewing party this same way and invite staff from other libraries. For any group viewings, if you know who will be there, you can list your Additional Attendees on your one registration or you can send us a list after the event.

# Folkmanis Puppet Group Order

Would you like to infuse extra excitement into your storytime? Add puppets to your routine and see the sparkle in the little ones' eyes.

Folkmanis has more than 250 puppets of all sizes available. The company has been making the most innovative and engaging specialty puppets in the world since 1976, delighting imaginations and winning nearly every industry, child development, and kid-tested award - many repeatedly.



We will be placing a group order on Friday, April 5, 2019. If you would like to order puppets for your library, go to <http://www.folkmanis.com> to see pictures and videos. Our group rate is 50% of the price listed on the website, plus 15% for shipping. For example, the new ***Out of This World Robot*** (Item #3144) puppet's retail price is \$55.99. We pay \$28.00 plus \$4.20 for a total of \$32.20. It is SO new, it is not even on the website, yet.

If you would like to order any puppets, please call Kay toll-free at 1-800-569-4961 or email her at [cplsasst@gmail.com](mailto:cplsasst@gmail.com) by **Thursday, April 4, 2019.**



## Disc Cleaning and Repair

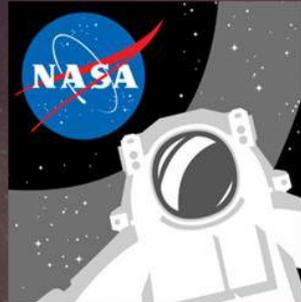
The System Office has the ECO AUTO-SMART Fully Automatic Disc Repair System. It is not just a buffer, but a full-service machine, to both clean and repair your valuable discs. Save those discs that won't play! As long as they are not cracked, we can fix them.



From July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019, each CPLS member library has 10 free disc cleanings.

- If you have more than 10 discs that need fixing, you may send them to us and we will repair them and send them back with an invoice for 50 cents per disc plus return postage.
- If you come to the CPLS Office in Hastings and pick up the repaired discs, the charge is 50 cents per disc. A similar service at a retail video outlet costs more than \$5.00 per disc!

# NASA Selfies



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Create your own selfies from outer space! NASA Selfies lets you put your photo in a virtual spacesuit in front of some of NASA's most captivating space images. Share these space selfies on social media, and learn about the science behind the pictures.

This app was developed by the **IPAC Communications & Education** group and has been released in conjunction with the 15th anniversary of NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope mission and features a collection of images that showcase its infrared data. In the future, images from more missions will be added.

[NASA Selfies Privacy Policy](#)

### How To:

1. Snap a selfie
2. Change the background image
3. Tap to find more info about the image
4. Share the image with #Spitzer15



Follow this link to do your own [NASA Selfies!](#)

## Cover One Book Repair Service!



The System has a binding repair machine that fixes a variety of types and sizes of books. This machine easily binds up to a 2½" thick book and it has a sliding wall to hold smaller books in place. It will also work with legal size as well as regular 8½ x 11" size items. Repaired books will be ready to use in just 20 minutes! Go to <http://www.coverone.net> and click on the link for Book Repair Demo on the left-hand side of the page to see it in action.

This machine is perfect to repair books with glued bindings that have "popped" and split into several big chunks, paperbacks that have come out of their covers, and books where individual pages are coming loose.

Mail or bring your books to the System Office.  
We will repair them for \$1 per book plus actual return postage.

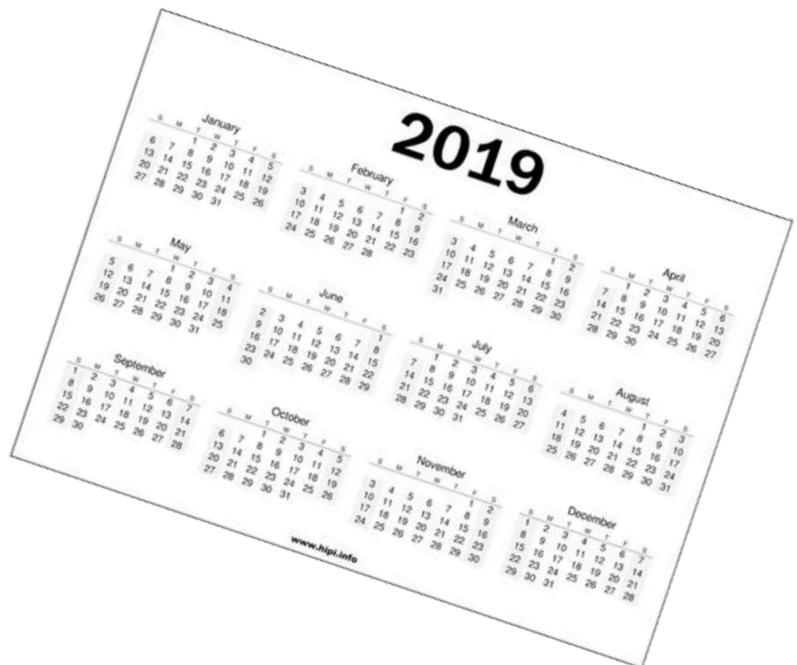
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- Feb.11-22.....Basic Skills—Customer Service
- Feb. 12.....Full STEAM Ahead, Hastings Public Library (page 3)
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- March 29.....Summer Reading Program Workshop, Ravenna Public Library (page 5)
- April 1-30.....Basic Skills—Introduction to Cataloging

*Libraries are the “Index to the World.”*

~John Cotton Dana



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