

# Plain Speaking

Central Plains Library System

*Educate Connect Inspire*

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## The Library Police

Is your library a fine-free zone? Do you charge fines on one or more types of materials? Do all patrons pay fines for late materials? Is the amount of money you collect worth the headaches?

In January 2017, **Library Journal** surveyed a random selection of librarians from all sizes of libraries across the country. The results showed that the overwhelming majority of libraries do collect fines for late returns. Not all libraries charge for all materials. Some do not charge late fees for items from the children’s collection. However, virtually all libraries charge late fees on DVDs. Based on responses to this survey and the number of libraries in the U.S., the conservatively projected amount of money taken in monthly is a *whopping* \$11.8 million.

In spite of that, many librarians are reconsidering their stance on fines. Library late fees are restricting children’s access to libraries. In the New York Public Library system, 20% of accounts held by children are blocked due to unpaid fines. We all know parents who don’t allow their children to borrow library material because of the fear of being



labeled “bad” for accruing fines they are unable to pay. The **Seinfeld** episode titled “The Library” is a prime example of the negative feelings many people retain when they think about libraries. In this show, Jerry is tracked down by the “Library Police” still searching for a book he did not return when he was a child. Here is a link to part of that program: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D9tP9fl2zbE> .

We know that libraries do not charge fines in order to shame, punish, or make money off patrons. A fine is a sharp reminder that other people in the community want to read that bestseller or watch this popular DVD. Some fear that without fines, people will never bring the library’s stuff back.

The word “fine” indicates a punishment; so many libraries have started using the term “late fee” to put a more positive spin on the practice. There are several

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common alternatives to fines. Some libraries schedule amnesty days, others take food donations in lieu of money, and many allow children to work off their debt by volunteering. Other libraries have taken a different approach. They make no changes in their library automation program, but the staff informs patrons that they are waiving the charges and asking if they would like to make a donation. Some choose not to donate, but

others do. This method softens the tone of the interaction between the staff and the patrons and is much more pleasant for everyone.

Or, fines could just be dropped and people can be expected to bring back the libraries' items when they are due (or close to that day). Your patrons will thank you.

Dixon, Jennifer A. "Doing fine(s)?" *Library Journal*, 4/1/17, p. 40-44.



**SAVE THE DATE!**

Norfolk Public Library's 24<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Literature Festival will  
be Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

For complete schedule and registration information, go to  
<http://libraries.ne.gov/cpls/files/2017/05/Literature-Festival-Flyer-2017.pdf>.

## Library Innovation Studios: Transforming Rural Communities

The Nebraska Library Commission (NLC) along with partners University of Nebraska—Lincoln, Nebraska Innovation Studio, Nebraska Extension, and Regional Library Systems, are excited about the **Library Innovation Studios: Transforming Rural Communities** project, which was recently awarded a National Leadership Grant of \$530,732 by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The project will begin July 1, 2017 and conclude June 30, 2020.

The project uses Library Innovation Studios (makerspaces) hosted by libraries to support community engagement and participatory learning experiences by providing access to technological and innovative learning tools not readily accessible locally. This strengthening of the maker culture in rural areas is expected to stimulate creativity, innovation, and the exchange of ideas to facilitate entrepreneurship, skills development, and local economic development.

**The deadline to apply is July 10, 2017.**

For more information, see JoAnn McManus' email that was sent out on May 24, 2017, or contact JoAnn at [joann.mcmanus@nebraska.gov](mailto:joann.mcmanus@nebraska.gov) or Denise at [denise.cpls@gmail.com](mailto:denise.cpls@gmail.com).

**Central Plains Library System Board Meeting  
April 6, 2017 10:00 a.m.  
Telephone Conference Call**

**Members Present:** Tony Anderson, Jody Crocker, Judy Hagan, Kristie Hagstrom, Pat Hughes, Tim Johnson, Rochelle Krueger, Lori Long, Linda Nickel, Kathy Thomsen, Matthew Williams.

**Members Absent:** Dixie Codner, Jane Hilton, Shawna Linder,

**Also Present:** Denise Harders (CPLS Director), Sharon Osenga (CPLS Director) and Christa Porter (NLC Representative)

**Call to Order/Roll Call:**

- Judy Hagan called the meeting to order on 04/06/2017 at 10:00 a.m. Roll call followed.

**Approval of the Minutes:**

- Judy Hagan made a motion that the minutes from the January 12, 2017 meeting be approved. Linda Nickel seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

**Financial Report:**

- Denise and Kay have taken over the duties of completing the financial report;
- Tony had a question with Item 606 on Page 5 of the report regarding the scholarship received by Jane Hilton for the Summer Reading Workshop. The check was voided since Jane wasn't able to attend the workshop. A reversal of the journal entry is also entered. The account will be \$100 off on the next statement.
- Tony made a motion to accept the Financial Report with a note to check entry 606 and make the correction. The motion was seconded by Lori Long. The Financial Report was approved.

**Correspondence:**

Denise

- A thank you from Richard Miller for the Barnes and Noble gift card in honor of his retirement.

Sharon

- A thank you for visiting from the Farnam Public Library;
- A thank you for the file cabinet and paper cutter from Barb at the Elm Creek Public Schools;
- A thank you for helping them move from Joan Birnie at the Broken Bow Public Library.

**Director's Reports:**

Denise

- McCook has done a fantastic job of sending out Large Print bulk loan materials;
- Chuck Peek from Kearney has been appointed to be a new Commissioner for the Nebraska Library Commission;
- Denise will be attending ALA in Chicago in June.

Sharon

- There are several weeding projects in April and May;
- She will be teaching a basic skills class.

**Old Business:**

Annual Meeting

- ◇ We were unable to book Mac's Creek for our Annual Meeting;
- ◇ Cedar Hills Vineyard and Garden near Ravenna is available and open on Fridays;
- ◇ The Annual Meeting will be on July 7;
  - \* 10:00 a.m. – Board Meeting
  - \* 11:30 a.m. – Annual Meeting

### **New Business:**

- Board Changes
  - \* CPLS currently has fourteen Board Members;
  - \* Jody Crocker and Kristie Hagstrom have completed two terms;
  - \* Rochelle Krueger has completed one term and since they are short staffed, will not accept another term;
  - \* Jane Hilton has been unavailable during most recent meetings and has turned in her resignation.
  - \* Without these four members on the Board, the Board will have a total of ten members.

Since the By-Laws state “no more than twelve and no fewer than nine members,” it was decided to let the Board remain at ten members this year.

### **System Awards**

- \* Leadership Award for a library worker
- \* Helping Hand Award for a library volunteer

### **2017-2018 Budget**

- \* Rod Wagner emailed a page about the Library’s Commission’s Budget concerns;
- \* The Library Commission can’t put together a budget until they have budget figures for the state and federal governments;
- \* At this time, the Library Commission doesn’t know what funding they will receive this year.
- \* The Library Commission will know later in April about federal funds.

### **Other Business:**

- Nebraska Library Commission Report – Christa Porter
  - \* Big Talk for Small Libraries
    - ⇒ 358 attended from the United States and Canada;
    - ⇒ The recording is now available.
  - \* NCompass Live
    - ⇒ E-Rate 2017
    - ⇒ Making Space: Administrative Weeding
    - ⇒ LMNOP
    - ⇒ Building a Digital Image Collection with Flickr
    - ⇒ Collecting Library User Feedback
    - ⇒ The Learning Child: Co-Parenting for Successful Kids
    - ⇒ Ad Filters
    - ⇒ Binge Boxes, Boovie Bags, Book Box Binges
  - \* Basic Skills
    - ⇒ Reader’s Advisory – April 10
  - \* Christa’s new title is Director of Library Development
    - ⇒ She will still be in charge of E-Rate and NCompass Live;
    - ⇒ The Library Commission will not fill her previous position due to budget constraints.
  - \* Form 470 for E-Rate is due on or before April 13.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kathy Thomsen*, Secretary












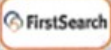


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# Central Plains Library System Annual Meeting - July 7, 2017



48970 375th Road  
Ravenna, NE 68869

**Driving Directions:**

Before you reach Ravenna from the east on Hwy 2, turn north on Navaho Rd. It travels past the ethanol plant, over the railroad tracks, and crosses the river. Then you will turn back east on 375th Rd, following it as it winds along the river, until you reach Cedar Hills. (If you are approaching Ravenna from the west on Hwy 2, go past Ravenna and turn north on Navaho Rd.)

- 10:00—11:15 am **CPLS Board Meeting**
- 11:15—11:30 am **Registration**
- 11:30 am —12:15 pm **Annual Meeting**
- 12:15—1:00 pm **Lunch** (\$10 per person)
- 1:00—1:15pm **Report from the Nebraska Library Commission**
- 1:30—2:30 pm **Dan Holtz, Humanities Speaker, presents  
All Original, All Nebraska**
- 2:30—3:30 pm **Celebration of Sharon’s Career**



To register, go to: <https://goo.gl/forms/Amq11IxkIbNPA3092>

## All Original, All Nebraska

Dan Holtz celebrates and commemorates people, places, and events in Nebraska history through original songs (accompanied by guitar and harmonica) and the stories and background behind them. The songs’ subjects range from a general celebration of Nebraska (“We’re Nebraska”); to a retrospective on the Sandhills; to a tribute to Susan LaFlesche Picooote, the first Native American woman to become a medical doctor; to a salute to Husker football; to a tribute to the migration of the Sandhill Cranes; and more.



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



*This project is supported by the Library Services and Technology Act, administered by the Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services and granted by the Nebraska Library Commission.*



## The 2017 Edgar Winners

Mystery Writers of America is proud to announce the Winners of the 2017 Edgar Allan Poe Awards, honoring the best in mystery fiction, non-fiction and television published or produced in 2016. The Edgar® Awards were presented to the winners at the 71<sup>st</sup> Gala Banquet, April 27, 2017 at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, New York City.

The award for Best Novel went to *Before the Fall* by Noah Hawley; *Under the Harrow* by Flynn Berry won for Best First Novel; and *The Wicked Boy: The Mystery of a Victorian Child Murderer* by Kate Summerscale won for Best Fact Crime.

See all the nominees and winners at <http://www.theedgars.com/nominees.html>.

## Top Ten Challenged Books of 2016

Out of 323 challenges reported to the ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom, the Top Ten Most Challenged Books of 2016 are

*This One Summer* written by Mariko Tamaki and illustrated by Jillian Tamaki This young adult graphic novel, winner of both a Printz and a Caldecott Honor Award, was restricted, relocated, and banned because it includes LGBT characters, drug use, and profanity, and it was considered sexually explicit with mature themes.

*Drama* written and illustrated by Raina Telgemeier Parents, librarians, and administrators banned this Stonewall Honor Award-winning graphic novel for young adults because it includes LGBT characters, was deemed sexually explicit, and was considered to have an offensive political viewpoint.

*George* written by Alex Gino Despite winning a Stonewall Award and a Lambda Literary Award, administrators removed this children's novel because it includes a transgender child, and the "sexuality was not appropriate at elementary levels."

*I Am Jazz* written by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings, and illustrated by Shelagh McNicholas This children's picture book memoir was challenged and removed because it portrays a transgender child and because of language, sex education, and offensive viewpoints.

*Two Boys Kissing* written by David Levithan Included on the National Book Award longlist and designated a Stonewall Honor Book, this young adult novel was challenged because its cover has an image of two boys kissing, and it was considered to include sexually explicit LGBT content.

*Looking for Alaska* written by John Green This 2006 Printz Award winner is a young adult novel that was challenged and restricted for a sexually explicit scene that may lead a student to "sexual experimentation."


*Big Hard Sex Criminals* written by Matt Fraction and illustrated by Chip Zdarsky Considered to be sexually explicit by library staff and administrators, this compilation of adult comic books by two prolific award-winning artists was banned and challenged.

*Make Something Up: Stories You Can't Unread* written by Chuck Palahniuk This collection of adult short stories, which received positive reviews from Newsweek and the New York Times, was challenged for profanity, sexual explicitness, and being "disgusting and all around offensive."

*Little Bill* (series) written by Bill Cosby and illustrated by Varnette P. Honeywood This children's book series was challenged because of criminal sexual allegations against the author.

*Eleanor & Park* written by Rainbow Rowell One of seven New York Times Notable Children's Books and a Printz Honor recipient, this young adult novel was challenged for offensive language.





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## Cover One Book Repair Service!

The System has purchased 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 and 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 Hastings System Office.  
We will repair them for \$1 per book plus actual return postage.**

## 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, 2016 thru June 30, 2017, 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!





## Cutting Machines

These handy machines cut out letters and shapes from paper, felt, cloth, thin cardboard, magnetic sheets, and foam. CPLS owns two Ellison machines—one Original and a Prestige Space Saver—plus one Mark IV Accu-Cut Machine, and dies (including a 2" alphabet/numbers and a 4" alphabet/numbers). System members may check the desired machine and/or dies out for a month at a time. See the reservation schedule online at: <http://libraries.ne.gov/cpls/die-shapes/>. Call the Hastings CPLS office to reserve this equipment for your library.

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July 14-15, 2017

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## Join Read Aloud Nebraska

Applications are now being accepted for 2017-18 Read Aloud Schools and Communities through Read Aloud Nebraska. The application form has been updated and is short and sweet!

Read Aloud Schools and Communities are eligible to apply for free books from Read Aloud Nebraska that are offered twice each year. They can also apply for mini-grants after they have been a Read Aloud School or Community for two consecutive years.

Visit [www.readaloudnebraska.org](http://www.readaloudnebraska.org) to apply before November 1!

# Read Aloud Nebraska

*Promoting healthy, successful children and families through reading aloud.*

## Audiobook Collection

CPLS owns over **800 circulating audiobook titles**. System member libraries may borrow audiobooks (CD, MP3, and Playaway formats) for a loan period of 90 days.

*The Hollywood Daughter* by Alcott, Kate  
*Britt-Marie was Here* by Backman, Fredrik  
*Three Days in January* by Baier, Bret  
*The Girl Before* by Delaney, J.P.  
*The Roanoke Girls* by Engel, Amy  
*The Stranger in the Woods* by Finkel, Michael  
*Little Deaths* by Flint, Emma  
*Right Behind You* by Gardner, Lisa  
*Celine* by Heller, Peter  
*Expecting to Die* by Jackson, Lisa  
*Heartbreak Hotel* by Kellerman, Jonathan  
*A Piece of the World* by Kline, Christina Baker  
*My Not So Perfect Life* by Kinsella, Sophie  
*Fatal* by Lescroart, John  
*I See You* by Mackintosh, Clare  
*Pachinko* by Lee, Min Jin  
*Revelation* by Parker, Robert B.  
*The Old Man* by Perry, Thomas  
*Behind Her Eyes* by Pinborough, Sarah  
*Island of Glass* by Roberts, Nora  
*Escape Clause* by Sandford, John  
*Desperation Road* by Smith, Michael Farris



View the list of titles on our website under  
 Services and then call or email the System  
 office to borrow or reserve titles.

# CPLS Has Scholarship Money Available

Up to \$100.00 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: \_\_\_\_\_



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## NEST College Savings Plan Scholarship Drawing

Librarians want to help your Summer Reading Program patrons win money for college? After they have completed your library's [Summer Reading Program](#) they will be eligible to win one of fifteen \$529 NEST College Savings Scholarships (see announcements below). Five will be awarded in each of Nebraska's three congressional districts. In addition the library of each winner will also win \$250! Put up the poster (below) below to let your summer readers know about this investment.

The Summer Reading, NEST 529 Read to Win Contest will run **May 15, 2017 through August 23, 2017**.

Go to <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/youth/summerreading/scholarshipdrawing.aspx> for complete information.



# CPLS News

## \$27,000 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 \$27,000 to twenty-one 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 following **Central Plains Library System** member libraries were awarded internship grant funding:

**Alma, Hoesch Memorial Public Library  
Atkinson Public Library  
Cozad, Wilson Public Library  
Orleans, Cordelia B. Preston Memorial Library**

Funding for the project is supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Nebraska Library Commission, in partnership with the Nebraska Library Systems.

## Month of Weeding



(Photograph courtesy of Sargent Township Library)

The Central Plains Library System's Month of Weeding has concluded. Sharon traveled throughout the System offering encouragement and expertise. We had 37 participating libraries (1 academic, 18 public, 18 school libraries). Some weeded less than 100 volumes and other took out nearly 2,000. All together **more than 15,000 items** were weeded this spring!

We had a random drawing for **TWO** Kindle Fire tablets.

The winners are:

- **C.B. Preston Memorial Library in Orleans**
- **Valentine Community Schools**



**Ravenna Public Library Ground Breaking on April 9, 2017.**

—Photo submitted by NLC Commissioner Chuck Peek

# LIBRARY PROGRAMS



## When Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo & Aquarium visits,

You can count on a high quality, fun and educational program that will bring the community together at your venue. We provide lasting memories as we inspire and educate both children and adults.



### I ♥ ANIMALS - BUILDING A BETTER WORLD

Do you love animals? From polar bears in the arctic to turtles in Nebraska, the future of animals is in our hands. Through encounters with live animals, seeing and touching animal artifacts, and participating in hands-on games and activities, participants learn what it takes to help animals at home and far away, and will leave with a desire to build a better world for both people and animals.



### ZOOLYMPICS

Match your leaping skills against a tiger or your balance against a flamingo. This program redefines "active learning" as kids test themselves against the abilities of their favorite animals. Audiences will be inspired to learn more about animals and conservation, and to continue training for the next Zoolympics!



### ANIMAL ZOOPER-POWERS

Are superpowers real? Learn about the amazing Zooper-powers of animals. Then decide whether these abilities are superpowers or adaptations to the environment.



### LIVE! VIRTUAL VISITS TO THE AQUARIUM OR JUNGLE

These interactive programs let you see the Penguins, Sharks, or Monkeys as you take a virtual visit to the most popular exhibits at the Zoo. All you need to connect is a computer or tablet with a webcam and microphone. Cost is \$100.

### DETAILS

- Presentation is 45 minutes to one hour.
- Fee is \$200 without animals, \$300 with 2 or 3 live animals.
- Small groups of about 30 people (including adults and children) are \$150 and include one live animal. Ask about additional program offerings for small groups.
- Three weeks' notice is required for an animal visit. Summer dates fill up fast so book early!



For more information or to schedule a program, please call (402) 738-6905  
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Is your library taking advantage of [DigitalLearn.org](https://www.digitallearn.org), a collection of self-directed tutorials for end-users to increase their digital literacy, as a training tool for patrons? DigitalLearn.org offers a collection of self-directed tutorials for learners to increase their digital literacy on critical topics such as navigating the World Wide Web, using email, searching online for employment and creating a résumé.

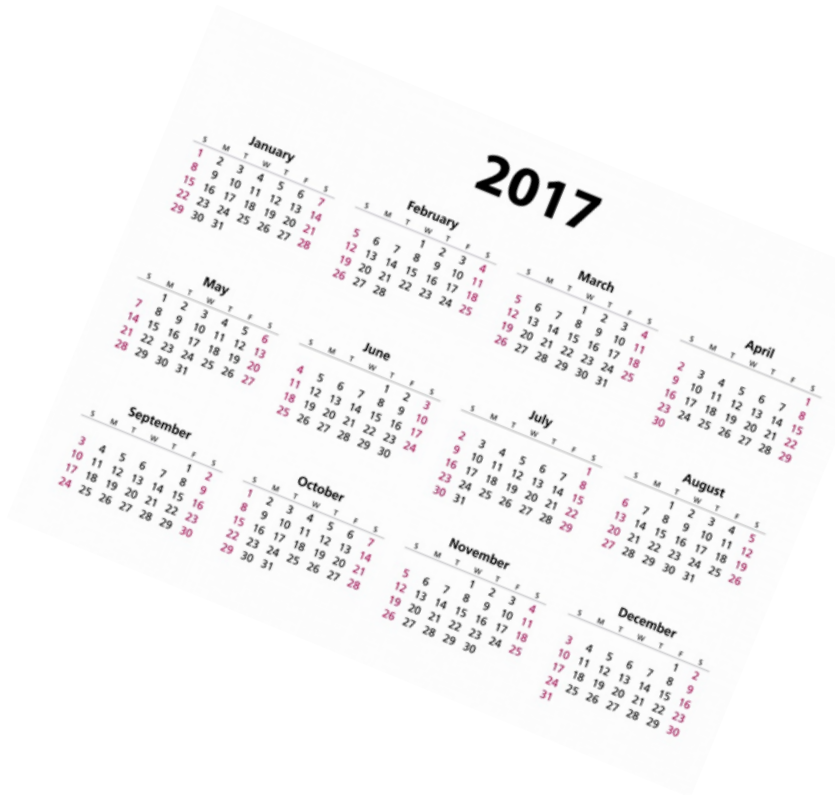


# Central Plains Library System

## Mark Your Calendar

- June 10.....University of Missouri SISLT Open House (see p. 8)
- June 12-23.....Basic Skills—Reference, Christa Porter
- June 22-27.....American Library Association Annual Conference, Chicago
- July 7.....CPLS Annual Meeting, Cedar Hills Vineyard and Garden, Ravenna (see p. 6)
- July 10.....**Deadline** for Library Innovation Studios (Makerspace Grant) (see p. 2)
- July 14.....Nebraska Library Commission Meeting, Lincoln
- July 14-15.....Nebraska Book Festival 2017
- July 17-28.....Basic Skills—Collection Management, Denise Harders
- July 28.....Norfolk Public Library’s 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Literature Festival
- July 31-August 11..Basic Skills—Library Policy, Sharon Osenga
- August 21-Sept. 1..Basic Skills—Programming and Outreach, Anneka Ramirez
- August 25.....**Deadline** for NEST College Savings Plan Scholarship Drawing (see p. 12)
- September 7-8.....Youth Services Retreat, Ashland
- September 7-10.....Association of Rural and Small Libraries Conference, St. George, Utah
- October 11-13.....NLA /NSLA Joint Annual Conference, Kearney, Younes Conference Center
- November 1.....**Deadline** to apply to be a 2017-18 Read Aloud School or Community

We know that without libraries, without education, which is based largely on libraries, we cannot have an educated people who will carry on successfully our form of government.  
~Eleanor Roosevelt



We're On the Web

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