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SOWINGS

By Brenda Ealey, Administrator

The SELS Training Extravaganza, held annually in May, is our attempt to provide information and training of value to librarians of all types as well as library trustees and friends. This year's event was May 17th at Union College. We had twelve topics to choose from ranging from book reviews, to sales tax, to Prezi, to customer service. I firmly believe there was a topic for everyone with a chance to hear fabulous presenters and network with your peers and colleagues.

Now, I only got to attend four out of twelve sessions (which causes me much angst) so I can only provide a small slice of the learning that took place but here goes:

Books to book talk, discuss and add to my summer reading list: *Hunger Pains: A Parody* by Harvard Lampoon; *Taft 2012: A Novel* by Jason Heller; *How I Killed Pluto and Why It Had It Coming* by Mike Brown; *The Sunday Philosophy Club* by Alexander McCall Smith; *Popular Music from Vittula: A Novel* by Mikael Niemi & Laurie Thompson; and *The Lobster Chronicles: Life On a Very Small Island* by Linda Greenlaw. (Thanks Marcy Graybill, Erin Stutzman and Vicki Wood.)

Scott Childers spotlighted the following sites in his presentation on cloud computing:

- Dropbox – www.dropbox.com for file storage and synchronization.
- Evernote – www.evernote.com for storing notes, web clips, photos, sound recordings and more.
- Google Drive – <http://drive.google.com> – for creating documents, spreadsheets, presentations online, plus file storage.

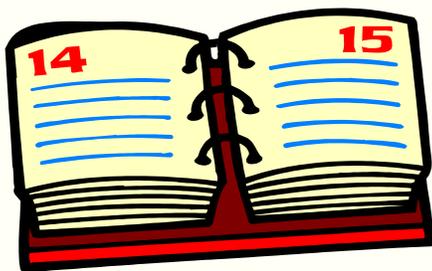
Reminders on good customer service from Julie Pinnell – including:

- Customers remember how you make them feel.
- Kindness is the basis of good customer service.
- Don't take it personally – and leave personal issues at home.
- Be careful with your words and your attitude will impact customers more than anything else.
- Greet customers – be there, make their day and choose your attitude.

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CALENDAR

June 2012

June 11th – NLC Commissioners Meeting at the Nebraska Library Commission. Meeting is open to the public and runs from 9:30 to 12. For more information contact Sue Biltoft, (402)471-4007 or sue.biltoft@nebraska.gov.

June 14th – SELS Annual Meeting at Prairie Creek Inn. See [page 3](#) for details.

June 15th – NLA Board Meeting

June 21st-26th ALA in Anaheim

June 28th – Introduction to eBooks and eReaders at Nebraska Library Commission from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information and to register go to the NLC Library Training & Events Calendar: <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/calendar/>.

June 28th—SELS/ELS Spring Colloquium at Embassy Suites, La Vista. See [page 4](#) for details.

July 12th – CASTL Meeting at Weeping Water Public Library. Topic of discussion will be service animals and additional review of the Libraries & the Internet Toolkit – www.ifmanual.org/litoolkit. For the book talk portion of the day, select one of the titles listed in my Sowings on page one. Also on the agenda will be the round robin to share questions, ideas and happenings. Please let us know at the SELS office if you plan on attending.

July 13th – NLLI Reunion at UNL – stay tuned for details!

July 23rd – August 3rd – Basic Skills – Intellectual Freedom and the Core Values of Librarianship. You can register online at the Nebraska Commission Training Calendar (www.nlc.state.ne.us/training/train.asp) starting May 28th. For a complete list of the Basic Skills modules calendar go to: <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/CE/BasicSkills/NBScalendar.aspx>.

July 23rd – August 3rd – Basic Skills – Library Governance. You can register online at the Nebraska Commission Training Calendar (www.nlc.state.ne.us/training/train.asp) starting June 18th. For a complete list of the Basic Skills modules calendar go to: <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/CE/BasicSkills/NBScalendar.aspx>.

July 27th—NEMA/NLSA Professional Development at UNO. See [page 7](#) for details.

September 13th – 14th – ELS/SELS Youth Services Retreat at Carol Joy Holling Camp.

September 20th – CASTL Meeting in Shickley

One Book, Many Librarians

October 18, 2012 @ NLA/NEMA/MPLA Conference

Embassy Suites, La Vista

4:00-4:50

Get started early and read the *The Borrower* by Rebecca Makkai for this year's One Book, Many Librarians. Copies will be on sale and Rebecca Makkai herself will be in attendance to sign books.



SELS Annual Meeting

June 14th at Prairie Creek Inn

Join us for our annual board meeting and a tour of historic Prairie Creek Inn, minutes outside of Lincoln. Formerly a Lincoln landmark, the Inn was built as a private home in 1911 and remained that way until 1929 when it became housing for the chief surgeons of the Veterans' Hospital which was constructed on the former grounds.

Between 1980 when it was vacated by the VA and 2002, the house was left uninhabited and had fallen into such disrepair that it was slated for demolition.

Over the course of two days in 2003 the home was moved by truck to its current location and underwent a complete restoration including period woodwork.

Take a break with us while we enjoy springtime on the prairie and tour this storied home in celebration of another successful year.

Prairie Creek Inn is located at 2400 S 148th St in Walton. For more information or directions, visit their website: www.pcibnb.com

9:30-12:00	Board Meeting
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-3:00	Tour and Refreshments

Registration Includes:

- Lunch
- Refreshments
- A tour of the Inn and an opportunity to explore the grounds

Mail this form with payment of \$20 to:

Southeast Library System
5730 R St, Ste C-1
Lincoln, NE, 68505

or send your registration via email to jlarnason@windstream.net and pay at the meeting.

Name

Organization

Email



SELS & ELS are proud to present the...

2012 Spring Colloquium

June 28th @ Embassy Suites, La Vista, 5:30-9:30

Featuring UNO/UMC Student Presentations from:

Jacob Lee with "Swim the Information Ocean; Listen to Your Dog; and Sell It, Baby, Sell It..."

Megan Klein-Hewett with "The Internet is What We Make It"

Jennifer Barnason with "Breaking Down the Walls and Seeing the Big Picture"

Brian Maass with "The Crowd is in Charge!"

5:30 - 6:30 Social hour with cash bar

6:30 - 7:30 Dinner, your choice of:

- Mango Chicken Roulade
- Mushroom Penne Pasta

7:30 - 9:30 Student presentations with time for questions and discussion

Participate in great discussions with your colleagues and earn 3 NLC CE hours.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Organization: _____

Choose:

- ◇ Mango Chicken Roulade
- ◇ Mushroom Penne Pasta

Send registration and \$40 by June 21st:

Southeast Library System
5730 R. St, Ste. C-1
Lincoln, NE 68505
Fax: (402)467-6196

Or email Jen at jlbarnason@windstream.net

By Brenda Ealey, SELS

The CASTL group met on April 26th at James Arthur Vineyards in Raymond – a beautiful setting for a meeting. On the agenda was review of *“The Small but Powerful Guide to Winning Big Support for Your Rural Library”*, a publication of the ALA by the Committee on Rural, Native & Tribal Libraries of All Kinds, the Association for Rural & Small Libraries and the Office for Literacy & Outreach Services. It has some great ideas for building library support. I’ll share just a bit of what you can find:

- Develop three messages or talking points and a few good statistics, stories or examples to build your case. The message should be simple, yet powerful – easy to say and remember – and about 10 words. Use it consistently in publicity materials and presentations.



CASTL meetings are open to librarians of all types, library trustees and library friends or supporters. The meetings typically start at 10:00 a.m., and wrap up by 3:00 or 3:30. Each meeting has a dedicated topic of focus, as well as a round robin for discussion and sharing of current issues, topics and library happenings. Attendees earn continuing education hours and you are welcome to join us for all or even part of the day.

- July 12th – Weeping Water
- August 24th – Aurora
- September 20th – Shickley
- November—To Be Announced
- December—To Be Announced
- January—To Be Announced
- February—To Be Announced
- March—To Be Announced
- April—To Be Announced
- May 31st (June meeting) – Seward (Golden Sower)

- Community leaders are bombarded by competing needs and the library has to make its case. Your goal is to make it easy for them to understand and support the library. Attend meetings and be clear about what you are asking. Try to link the library’s message to their concerns. Talk about the library successes and possibilities as well as its needs. Maintain a VIP list and send the library’s newsletter, annual report and other items of special interest.
- Be prepared to answer questions about costs and gather statistics for the use of your library. When speaking be brief—10 minutes max plus questions. (Be sure to wait for the questions.)
- Ask schools, churches, businesses and other community groups for their endorsement.
- Business cards are important tools and should include the library’s URL and hours. Give it out as often as you can. (Note: If you want an inexpensive way to make a library business card, SELS has a die cut. Or a unique retail source is moo.com.)
- The media welcomes well-written news releases. Start with the most important information and end with the least. Be sure to cover the “Who, What, When, Where, Why and How”. Keep it short—one page if possible.
- Library websites can be useful tools for providing timely information, especially to those who might not come into the library. The trick is to keep them simple and current. (Note: Consider the Nebraska Libraries on the Web project of Nebraska Library Commission as an option for a website. There is no fee. You can find more information on the Web project at: <http://libraries.ne.gov/projectblog/want-to-participate/>.)

If you want to see all the wonderful tips included in The

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} CASTL Wrap Up }

(Sowings, cont. from page 1)

- Be grateful for your job.

Use the ALA Code of Ethics as a guide – it’s the library statement of professional ethics and a critical reference for customer service. (www.ala.org/advocacy/proethics/codeofethics/codeethics)

Sales Tax & Raffle Reminders from the Nebraska Department of Revenue:

- Raffles and lotteries must be done by a Foundation or Friends group as city entities cannot conduct them. Raffles don’t require a license.
- Sales tax in Nebraska is transaction based, not item based. So even if an item is purchased used, sales tax still has to be collected.
- Books made available for a donation need to indicate that it’s a freewill donation and not a suggested donation amount(s).
- Gross receipts include any delivery and overhead.

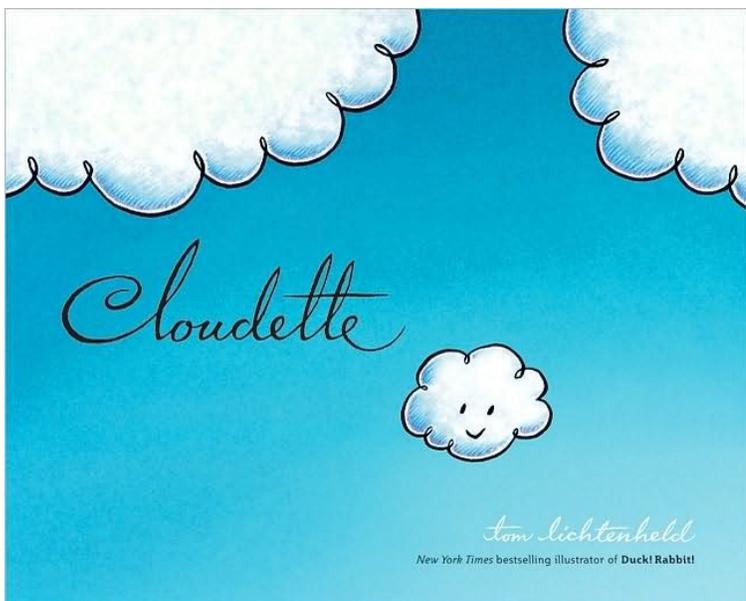


Vicki Wood’s list of things you must do when making a Booktalk included:

- Make a printed list (for doodles, notes, etc.).
- Be succinct on plot descriptions and highlight points or use sticky notes on back of book with key facts.
- Visuals are nice and book covers are cool and designed to attract readers.
- Think about appeal and focus on that.
- Offer format options – and sell the format, such as graphic novels. Vicki shared an example from *Stitches: A Memoir* by David Small where she used Google Images to capture pages from the book for a visual part of the book talk.

Okay – so that’s a smidgen of what was shared at the Extravaganza. We do, when available, keep materials and handouts that presenters share on file and may post on our website with their permission. If you’ve got ideas for topics you’d like to see on the agenda – let us know. We’re always striving to provide continuing education that assists libraries in better serving their diverse communities.

(CASTL cont. from page 5)



Small but Powerful Guide to Winning Big Support for Your Rural Library – you can find it online at: <http://www.ala.org/ruraltoolkit/>. While there take a look at the Sample Message Sheet found on page four.

The June CASTL meeting was hosted by Becky Baker at Seward Memorial Library. The June meeting has become our annual meeting for reviewing the “big list” of Golden Sower nominees for primary titles geared for Kindergarten through 3rd Grade. We also book talk titles on the intermediate and young adult lists. This year over 100 books were nominated for the primary list alone. Seward Memorial Library pulls all the titles on the lists and has them available for attendees which makes for a fun day reading, talking and looking at literature for youth.

Connect Tech to YOUR Curriculum

Friday July 27, 2012 8:30 am-12:30 pm

Roskens Hall Room #412 University of Nebraska-Omaha

NOTE: NEMA (will change its name to NSLA (Nebraska School Librarians Association) July 1, 2012.

Hit the ground running this fall with amazing tech tools!

Join us for a morning of learning and discussion about tech tools you can use with students and teachers right when you walk into your library this August. Learn about at least six stand-out tools from our guest speaker and how to integrate them into collaborative teaching and learning. Take the opportunity to explore in-depth two of these tools, how they relate to *our* state standards, and how they can be used in libraries K-12.

Leave with ideas and resources you can put in place today to help your students tomorrow!



**Guest Speaker:
Laura Warren-Gross**

Professional Development Agenda

8:30-9:00 Check In & Light Fare (rolls, coffee, water)

9:00-10:00

Guest Speaker: Laura Warren-Gross

10:15-12:00

Tech Tool Breakout Sessions

12:00-12:30

Breakout Discussions

There will be limited access to laptops.

Please feel free to bring your own!

Laura Warren-Gross is the librarian at Maple Street Magnet School in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She served on the American Association of School Librarians' Best Websites for Teaching and Learning from 2009 to 2011. She is currently a member of AASL's Best Apps for Curriculum Taskforce. Her interests include urban education and technology integration. She is a wife, mom, and, in her abundant free time, is training for her first half-marathon.

Please contact Stacy Lickteig at stacy.lickteig@ops.org or Courtney Pentland at mrspentland@gmail.com if you need any assistance or have any questions. Thank you!

Cost—\$20 (includes rolls, coffee, water). Please register by **July 1, 2012**

Make checks to NEMA and mail to: Kim Gangwish, NEMA Executive Secretary, Bellevue West High School, 1501 Thurston Ave., Bellevue, NE 68123

Name: _____

School: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Summer Contact #: _____

You will receive a parking pass with your paid registration!
Park on either the north or south sides of Roskens Hall and enter through the south doors of the building. We will meet in the Ideas Room on the top floor of Roskens Hall.

News Around the System

Blood Pressure Checks at the Library

From Glenda Willnerd, Palmyra Memorial Library

Palmyra Memorial Library hosts a free blood pressure check the first Wednesday of each month. Pictured is library patron Vern Dowding having his blood pressure checked by RN, Michelle Huber.



Summer Reading Kicks off at Seward Memorial Library

From Charlotte Baldinger, Seward Memorial Library

Each summer hundreds of enthusiastic children join the Summer Reading Club at Seward Memorial Library. Young readers and pre-school age siblings pick up reading logs and start earning points and rewards. Champion Reader yard signs, medallions, a free book and a photo in the local newspaper are the ultimate reward for those who achieve 500 points. This summer, as the children track their reading a variety of earned stars will fill the skies above the Seward skyline located on the bulletin board in the Children's Reading Room. The Summer Reading Club started on May 30 and before June 1 stars were already appearing above Seward.

The library is offering an "Own the Night" Reading Club for tween and teen readers. This new club allows readers to earn food rewards as they focus on filling official tracking sheets. An assortment of pop, snacks, and candy are available for readers to choose from as they complete sets on their sheets.

"Between the Covers" is the 2012 Reading Club for adult readers. Because the first adult reading club was so popular last year, the library

is again offering adults rewards for their reading. Readers earn rewards each time they visit the library to have staff punch special cards which record their completed books. Cards are turned in for a random prize drawing at the end of the summer. Titles and topics related to the "Dream Big – READ!" theme earn extra punches.

Everyone in the Seward community has an opportunity to read and enjoy treats at Seward Memorial Library. Reading Clubs are now an intergenerational activity so the whole family can "Dream Big – READ!" together this summer at the library.



A sampling of Summer Reading prizes



News Around the System

Plymouth Public Library Open House and Summer Reading Kickoff

By Brenda Ealey, SELS



Two young guests share a cupcake.

Plymouth Public Library had an open house and ribbon cutting on June 4th to celebrate their new gazebo built by Tri-County Industrial Tech students.

The gazebo project began as a dream of Jenny Washburn, a Plymouth librarian, so she tied the ribbon cutting in with their Summer Reading Kickoff and this year's theme, *Dream Big*. Library board members, village officials, library staff and volunteers, and many community members were on hand for the festivities. There was even a surprise guest—a rather large toad that came to check out the new digs—to the delight of a couple young boys in the audience.

Andrea Weichel, Board Chair, said donations for the Gazebo had come within \$5 of the total cost and thanked the many donors to the project. Volunteers provided cupcakes that were delicious

and also helped decorate the perimeters of the new gazebo.

Following the open house and ribbon cutting, community members headed over to the community center for the Summer Reading kickoff with magician, Adam White. The magic



Adam White and his assistant perform a magic trick as the crowd of children looks on.

show was well received with an audience of all ages that numbered close to 100. What a great way to start the summer!



Librarian, Jenny Washburn (center), cutting the ribbon



News Around the System

New Librarian for Waverly Library



Debbie Aden

By Brenda Ealey, SELS

Debbie Aden was recently hired as the librarian for the Waverly Community Library where she'll primarily be working on Friday mornings. You may recognize Debbie from her work as a Reference Desk Assistant at UNL. You will still be able to find her at the reference desk in addition to her new role in Waverly.

We're intrigued by her other interests that involve playing the flute and her experience as a zookeeper. Fabulous!

Welcome, Debbie!

Dvoracek Memorial Library BTOP Open House

By Brenda Ealey, SELS

Dvoracek Memorial Library in Wilber hosted an open house on June 2nd to provide a special opportunity for the community to experience the new computers and furnishings received through the Library Broadband Builds Nebraska Communities project. Nancy Vacek and Susie Homolka were marvelous hosts and coordinated the event with Alumni activities happening in Wilber the same weekend. Board member, Verne Anthony, provided a slide show using the new projector and laptop that featured historical pictures and postcards of people and places in Wilber. That made for interesting conversations – including the opera house fire, and a carnival featuring a diver who dove from 100-plus feet into a tank of water below. You never know what you'll discover at the library.



Susie Homolka and Nancy Vacek with their Summer Reading bulletin board.



News Around the System

Beatrice Public Library Director Celebrates 35 Years

From Kendra Hoffman, Beatrice Public Library Foundation Board

Beatrice Public Library Director, Lauren Riedesel, was honored with an open house on May 19, 2012 at the Beatrice Public Library for 35 years as the Library Director. Lauren was also being recognized for her recent honors, including the Nebraska Center for the Book's Mildred Bennett Award, and the Beatrice Sertoma Club's Service to Mankind Award.

Lauren Riedesel



Norfolk Public Library 18th Annual Literature Festival

Submitted by Karen Drevo

Norfolk Public Library will host its 18th Annual Literature Festival on Saturday, July 28th, at Northeast Community College's Lifelong Learning Center. Literature lovers of all ages are encouraged to attend.



April Henry

The Festival has the reputation of being a "wonderful way to spend a summer day."

The Norfolk Library Foundation; the City of Norfolk; and the School, Children and Young People's Section of the Nebraska Library

Association sponsor this year's Festival. The Festival will feature three nationally known, award-winning authors that are nominated for 2013 Nebraska Golden Sower Awards: Lisa Wheeler (*Ugly Pie*), Sharon Draper (*Out of My Mind*), and April Henry (*Girl, Stolen*).

This year's Literature Festival will also feature previews of the thirty

books nominated for the 2013 Golden Sower Awards; writer's workshops for young adults; book displays and sales by the Norfolk Library Foundation; sales of Golden Sower items; an autograph session with the authors; and door prizes.



Lisa Wheeler

Norfolk Public teachers can earn five Professional Growth Points for attending the Festival and the Nebraska Library Commission will award five CE hours to all Nebraska school and public librarians and public library trustees who attend the Festival.



Sharon Draper

Advance tickets for the Festival are available at Norfolk Public Library. For more information, call Karen or Marci at 844-2100.



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

This workshop is sponsored by
Read Aloud Nebraska.



Support was also received from the
Nebraska Regional Library Systems and the
School, Children's and Young People's Section
of the Nebraska Library Association.

Email info@readaloudnebraska.org
if you have any questions

News & Notes



Grants Available for Small Town Public Libraries

Small-town public libraries can receive a helping hand thanks to the generosity of a lifelong educator, the late Shirley Kreutz Bennett of Lincoln. Each year the Kreutz Bennett Donor-Advised Fund, an affiliated fund of the Nebraska Community Foundation (NCF), accepts proposals for matching grants for public libraries in communities with populations of fewer than 3,000.

Following Ms. Kreutz Bennett's wishes, a Fund Advisory Committee composed of her nieces and nephews recommends grants in three areas: planning grants leading to accreditation; enhancement grants to improve library services and/or programs; and facilities grants for new facilities or the renovation, restoration or rehabilitation of current libraries.

All grants require a certain level of matching funds and evidence that the project has broad community support. Approximately \$70,000 is available each year. Grant seekers are encouraged to review the guidelines and application procedures at www.nebcommfound.org/fund/kreutzbenett.

For more information, contact Reggi Carlson, NCF Communications Director, (402) 323-7331 or rcarlson@nebcommfound.org.

Lois Lenski Covey Foundation Grants

The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc. annually awards grants for purchasing books published for young people preschool through grade 8. Public libraries, school libraries, and non-traditional libraries operated by 501(c)(3) agencies are eligible. The Foundation provides grants to libraries or organizations that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need. Grants for 2012 will range from \$500 to \$3000 and are specifically for book purchases. They cannot be used

for administrative or operational uses.

Grants will be awarded on or before December 15, 2012. Organizations receiving grants will be notified by mail. Because of the volume of applicants, no written notification will be sent to those organizations that were not awarded grants.

For more information visit: <http://www.loislenski Covey.org/6.html>

Questions regarding the Foundation or its library grant program may be addressed to:

Michael Covey
The Lois Lenski Covey
Foundation, Inc.
P. O. Box 255366
Sacramento, CA 95865

Alternatively, questions may be sent by email

to: michael.covey@loislenski Covey.org. A link to a downloadable application is available on the web page.



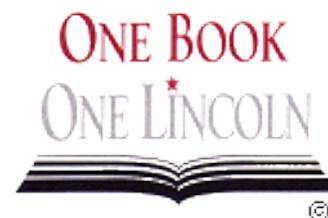
Nebraska Educational Media Association changes name to Nebraska School Librarians Association

May 17, 2012, Omaha, Nebraska -- The Nebraska Educational Media Association (NEMA) announced that the organization's members approved a name change to the Nebraska School Librarians Association (NSLA) effective July 1, 2012.

Nebraska School Librarians Association serves the school librarians of Nebraska by providing educational programs,

support, networking opportunities, and by being advocates for school librarians and school library programs throughout the state.

The organization, which has been in existence since 1969, chose the name change to align with the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) who voted in 2010 to adopt "school librarian" as the official name of the profession. The leadership of AASL says the title "school librarian" sufficiently reflects the role of the 21st-century library professional as a leader, instructional partner, information specialist, teacher, and program administrator.



One Book, One Lincoln Finalists Announced

Three finalists for this year's "One Book, One Lincoln" were announced at a special event at the Mill on May 28th. The program received 194 submissions to choose from this year.

The finalists are:

- [*Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine and the Murder of a President*](#) by Candice Millard
- [*The Tower, the Zoo and the Tortoise*](#) by Julia Stuart
- [*The Submission*](#) by Amy Waldman

Preview discussions of the three finalists are being held in several locations and voting is open through June 30th, both online and at the library.

For more info on the discussions and to keep up to date check the [One Book, One Lincoln page](#) or their [Facebook](#).

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[His] library was a fine dark place bricked with books, so anything could happen there and always did. All you had to do was pull a book from the shelf and open it and suddenly the darkness was not so dark anymore.

— Ray Bradbury, Farewell Summer

Southeast Library System is a multi-type library network with 248 members offering a wide range of service in public, school, academic, institutional and private libraries (Membership list with populations from 2000 Census are on the SELS web page: www.selsne.org.) Membership includes 12 academic institutions, including the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, four private colleges, three community college campuses, a state college and a technical school. Fifty-four public libraries are system members. The majority of these libraries (34) serve populations fewer than 1,000. The system counts 146 school media centers among its members, 54 that are Lincoln Public Schools, with most of those belonging to Class 3 schools (population areas between 1,000 and 100,000). Fourteen of the school media centers are parochial. The system has 28 special and institutional members, most of which are located in Lancaster County.