

Mid-Michigan Library League



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News of Interest November 2018



Member Happenings

- **Morton Township Public Library** received their citation of excellence from the Library of Michigan at the annual MLA conference.



- **Cadillac Wexford Public Library** has hired a new full-time youth librarian, **Windy Barrett**, who comes to Michigan from Portland, OR. Welcome, Windy!

- **Missaukee District Library's** "Tainted Lady" decorates REAL huge pumpkins each year!



Emergency Geek

Cory Walker, AKA the Emergency Geek, will come to your library and check on problems, tell you when you will need to upgrade your technology, help you with virus protection, add new software and peripherals, and so much more. Ask him! See <https://mml.pcloud.net/a/tech-corner>.

Maker Spaces

Remember that you may borrow maker kit materials from your cooperative! The Mid-Michigan Library League has 21 maker kits, 2 3D printers, and other resources you can checkout via Librarika, the free ILS we use for circulation. See [this website link!](#)



MMLL Continuing Education Committee!

NEW ~~~ Bright Idea Videos! Stay tuned for the MMLL YouTube Channel, coming soon!!!



Partner with Girls Who Code to launch FREE after-school programs

[Girls Who Code Clubs](#) are no-cost afterschool programs for girls in grades 3-5 or grades 6-12 to join a fellowship of supportive peers and use computer science to change the world. Clubs are led by facilitators who can be teachers, librarians, parents, or volunteers from any background or field. No prior computer science experience is required; many facilitators have no technical experience and learn to code alongside their club members.

Read through an [overview of the curriculum](#) for both age groups, attend a [Girls Who Code webinar](#) to learn more, and/or [complete a brief application](#) to get started!

If you are interested in forming a partnership with Girls Who Code to launch multiple Clubs in your community, please take a look at the [Clubs Community Partnership Overview](#) and complete the Community Partnership Confirmation Form. You can also contact Jackson Thomas at jackson@girlswhocode.com if you have any questions.

Upcoming Trainings IN PERSON:

Michigan Library Association calendar of events



[Register now for the 2018 LITA Library
Technology
Forum](#)

Minneapolis,
MN November
8-10, 2018



MCLS Training Calendar

[MCLS Newsletter](#)

The Michigan Collaborating Partners –
Michigan Cooperative Directors Association,
Library of Michigan,
Midwest Collaborative for Library Services,
Michigan Library Association, and
Michigan Academic Libraries Association

Invite you to attend:

**Removing Barriers:
A Library Accessibility Workshop**

Equality in access for every member of your community is a core library value and it can be challenging to satisfy all of the needs of your patrons. This workshop will cover important aspects of library accessibility and provide you with new tools to help serve all patrons equally. Topics include:

- Designing New Buildings and Renovating Older Ones
- Overcoming Barriers to Access in Collections & Programming
- Advocating for Disabled Patrons
- Providing access to websites and online materials
- Complying with ADA Legal Requirements

Friday, November 9, 2018
9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Registration will open in June 2018.
Questions? Call MMLC (810) 232-7119

Conference Location:
Grand Valley State University
L.V. Eberhard Center
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

*There will be not be an option for streaming or remote attendance.

This project is supported by the Michigan Collaborating Partners and by the Library of Michigan with
federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

The next FOML Talk About Friends event is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 14** from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm at the **Ypsilanti District Library Whittaker Branch**, 5577 Whittaker Road. This afternoon Friends session is a no-cost discussion meeting to talk about Friends and their role in promoting the growth and development of library services. Attendance at the meeting is FREE but registration is required. You can register for the event online at <http://foml.org/events/talk-about-friends-2018/>.



MLA Spring
Institute 2019
Growing,
Networking, and
Inspiring!
March 27 - 29,
2019
Double Tree by
Hilton in Bay
City, MI



MiKidLib 2019 will be held on Friday, May 10, 2019 at the Library of Michigan in Lansing. MiKidLib is in its 6th year and is an annual unconference for youth services staff (current, aspiring, and retired). If you have not participated in an unconference before, the participants drive the sessions, rather than a presenter. This is a great opportunity to learn from your peers and come away with actionable ideas.

<https://sites.google.com/site/mikidlib/>
Registration will open in early January.

Scheduled and on-demand WEBINARS and ONLINE CLASSES:

MeL Training

Current and archived
MeL trainings are at:



<http://mcls.org/mel/mel-training-events/>

MeL Databases (PDF)

eResource Changes for October 1

On October 1, MeL expanded to over 80 eResources with EBSCO the primary vendor and content from Britannica, Gale, and World Book. AtozDatabases.com provides a business and job directory as well as a criminal background search. Here is what you will find:

- MyHeritage (genealogy resource)
- Consumer Reports
- An upgrade to NoveList that includes K-8 Plus and NoveList Plus (one of the most requested resources)
- The full suite of LearningExpress Library resources including a resume builder
- A collection of over 200,000 eBooks covering everything from K-8 to Business

- A substantial business collection that includes case studies, SWOT analyses, DemographicsNow, and more.
- A K-12 collection that includes access to over 25 eResources with leveled readers, magazine and journal articles, subject specific eResources in Biography, History, Literature, Poetry and Science, Opposing Viewpoints in Context, and more.

[List of New MeL Resources Available October 1, 2018 \(PDF\)](#) A list of the new slate of MeL resources, as well as continuing subscriptions. [Database CrossWalk \(Excel\)](#). This spreadsheet links the expiring eResources with the new eResources and offers more detail about new eResources that are now available.

MeL Webinars:

Britannica Basics for Elementary School
[Wednesday, Nov 14, 2018 @ 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM EDT](#)

Get ideas for integrating technology and digital skills into your library and classrooms! Attendees will learn about special features:

- Creating a My Britannica account to collect, organize, and share favorite content
- Classroom curriculum resources (American History, World Studies, Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, and all levels of Language Arts and Math)
- Expanded video and media content, including a video download feature.

New Business Resources (Sep 2018)

- [On demand webinar](#)
- [Slides](#)

Virtually everything
about
virtually everything!

The Michigan eLibrary is the best way to turn questions into answers; ideas into action plans; problems into solutions; assignments into reports and opportunity into employment. MeL is one of the best digital sources of accurate, usable information and training available to Michigan residents.

Look at these Portals:

Business
Jobs
Government
Health
Legal
Books & Literacy
Michigan

Ask your librarian about MeL.org

MeL is a program of the Library of Michigan, part of the Michigan Department of Education and funded from the Michigan Department of Education and the State of Michigan.

Where can I get help building my skills?
WHERE CAN I GET LEGAL FORMS?
Where can I find continuing education resources for my staff?
How many courses do I need?
Local death burial and funeral services

MeL knows!

Where people find all the answers.

[MeL Promotional Materials Order Form](#)

Please Note: The [Library of Michigan](#) site will now house our government, legal and Michigan content and, where it made sense after weeding, any content that remained in these three areas has been co-located with existing content to create a “one-stop” experience for users.

Michigana

Content from the MeL Michigana Portal can now be found in two places on the Library of Michigan site. In the “For the Public” section, check [“Michigan Materials”](#) and [“Newspapers”](#).

- The Michigan Materials area includes links to County Guides, Historical Research Collections, Michigan Imprints from 1851-1876, Michigan Bibliographies and Michigan Digital Collections.
- The Newspapers area includes links to the Library of Michigan's holdings, other newspaper resources and links to Michigan newspapers, and an alphabetical listing of newspaper family histories.

Government

Content from the MeL Government Portal can now be found at the Library of Michigan site under "[Government Information](#)" in the "For the Public" section.

- There is a Michigan Documents area, a Michigan Local Documents area, and a Federal Documents area.
- On the Government page, a wealth of information can be found including links to the Library of Michigan's ANSWER Catalog, the Catalog of Government Publications, Governing Michigan, the HathiTrust Digital Library and govinfo, a service of the U.S. Government Publishing Office. Links to state and federal government website archives are also available, as well as contact information for Government Documents staff at the Library of Michigan.

Legal

Content from the MeL Legal Portal can now be found at the Library of Michigan site under "[Law Library](#)" in the "For the Public" section.

- Here users will find connections to Directories, Research Databases (including Governing Michigan), Research Guides, Statutes, Regulations and Decisions and contact information for the Law Library. Trending legal cases can be found in the "Top Information Links" area and include updates on gerrymandering, medical marijuana, and the 2018 Michigan ballot proposals.

Brought to you by Liz Breed of the MeL Team. MeL databases are available to Michigan residents or Michigan library or school access only.



MMLL Archived Webinars

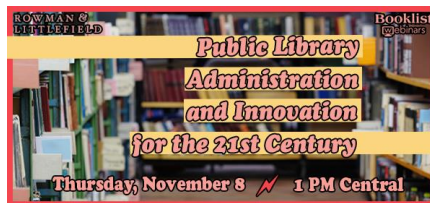
Remember that you can still view many of the Michigan Cooperative Director's Association (MCDA) webinars that have been offered statewide by going to the [ARCHIVES](#). Below the listing for MCDA webinars are the MMLL archived webinars [LOTS TO SEE!](#)



[Archive](#), [course catalog](#)

05 November 2018: [Small But Mighty Library Management and Innovation](#) Innovating. Meeting community needs. Managing the daily business of running a library. It can feel as though there aren't enough hours in the day to do it all. But there are powerful models like the Millvale Community Library which is acting as an agent of change in the community without sacrificing their core role as an information resource. This small but mighty library addresses their community's food desert, uses clean energy, offers a tool-lending library, and more—while operating in a financially sustainable way. Learn how they do it, and how you can, too!

29 November 2018: [Librarian Evolution: Libraries Thrive When We Change](#) Charles Darwin said, "It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change." It has never been a better time to be a librarian—especially when we recognize and act on our power to help people in our communities build better lives through learning and literacy. Learn how library staff are becoming change agents to help Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library, the [2016 Gale/LJ Library of the Year](#), become an essential asset in its community.



Join us for this exciting webinar, "Public Library Administration and Innovation for the 21st Century"

Public libraries have historically faced challenges as viable units in local government. As society struggles with issues related to the scope and effectiveness of government, librarians must ask, "How and why will communities support public libraries in the 21st century?" This webinar will present a framework for future library services, focusing on effective public sector skills, strategic planning, leadership, organizational and service innovation, information technology, readers, and the full range of library constituents.

[REGISTER HERE.](#)

No Place to Go: Homeless Youth and Libraries: an LM webinar

Thursday, November 15, 2018, 2:00-3:00 PM


There are nearly 40,000 identified homeless youth in Michigan public schools, from preschool to 12th grade, including over 5,000 students not living with a legal parent or guardian. Highlighting National Homeless Awareness Week, this webinar will detail the different categories of homelessness, how to recognize a family or child struggling with homelessness, and will identify local resources and ways libraries can connect families to assistance. *This webinar will be recorded and link shared with registrants if you cannot attend in person.* Presenter: Pam Kies-Lowe, State Coordinator for Homeless Education/Homeless Education Consultant; Michigan Department of Education Office of Educational Supports.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

LM Webinars Coming Soon...

Best Storytime Practices with Story Be Told's Jenifer Strauss – we'll continue this interactive webinar series, including a Ready to Read MI sample, later this Fall & Winter, details TBA. "A Universe of Stories" summer reading 2019 ideas will be shared by the members of YSAC in mid-December for you to get a jump-start on planning your SRP for 2019.



<p>\$175, ALA Member: \$157.50 Item Number: 1541-9345 From November 5, 2018 To December 9, 2018 Duration: 5 weeks (includes a one-week break for the week of Thanksgiving) Estimated Hours of Learning: 24 Hours</p>	<p>eCourse</p> <p>Practical Library Services for Grade School Kids (Kindergarten to 2nd Grade)</p> <p>with R. Lynn Baker</p> 
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[Library of Michigan Continuing Education Page](#)

[Library of Michigan Webinar Archives](#)



LibraryWorks Webinars



Defusing Conflict Situations in the Library Wednesday November 14, 2018;

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM EST. This webinar includes role playing and other strategies on how to defuse conflict situations with patrons, colleagues or superiors. Bringing in strategies from law enforcement, addiction research, therapy and more, this interactive presentation will provide practical strategies for creating empathy and a more positive library environment. Through this webinar you will discover:

- Role-playing scripts you can practice in your library for dealing with conflict
- The WHYs of conflict-- Potential causes for conflict situations
- What NOT to say in a conflict situation
- Strategies for working with mentally ill patrons
- Strategies for conflict with teen patrons

Presenter: Carrie Rogers-Whitehead spent nearly a decade in busy urban libraries, where she learned "on the ground" how to defuse conflict situations. In her position as Senior Librarian over Teen Services for Salt Lake County Libraries, Carrie provided support, information, programs and much more to the over 100 teenagers coming to her branch after school every day. Carrie has years of experience as a librarian working with special populations such as refugees, homeless individuals, individuals with disabilities, youth in detention and more. She was recognized for her work with these populations by being chosen as the Utah Librarian of the Year in 2013 and a Special Service award with the Red Cross. After leaving libraries in 2016, Carrie started two businesses but still guides librarians as a consultant and author of Teen Fandom and Geek Programming: A Practical Guide for Librarians.

Registration fee: \$49/person. Ask us about group rates for parties of 4 or more (email jenny@libraryworks.com)

Public Library Management



The University of Michigan School of Information is now offering a set of online library management courses through the edX.org platform. Develop essential management skills, from budgeting to marketing.

Pursue the Program for a certificate (\$352.80 USD or \$49 per course) or take the classes for **free** without obtaining a certificate.

- ✓ Average Length: 4 weeks per course
- ✓ Effort: 4- hours per week, per course
- ✓ Number Of Courses: 8 Courses in Program
- ✓ Subject: [Art & Culture](#), [Humanities](#), [Business & Management](#), [Social Sciences](#)
- ✓ Institution: [The University of Michigan](#)
- ✓ Language: English
- ✓ Video Transcripts: English
- ✓ Price (USD): \$392 USD \$352.80 USD for the entire program. You save \$39.20 USD.



Upcoming Online Courses:

- [Teaching Patrons to Use Technology: Creating a Plan for Better Instruction](#)
[Online Course](#) Tue, Nov 6 - Mon, Dec 10, 2018
- [Capturing Outcomes of Library Programs](#)
[Online Course](#) Nov 6 - Dec 3, 2018
- [Staff Competencies: How to Develop and Implement a Framework in Your Library](#)
[Online Course](#) Nov 13 - Dec 10, 2018
- [Supervisory Success: Interpersonal Skills for New and Not-so-new Supervisors](#)
[Online Course](#) Nov 27 - Dec 24, 2018

Learn More About Biblionix's Apollo ILS/LSP

Tuesday, November 13, 2018; 2-3pm EST

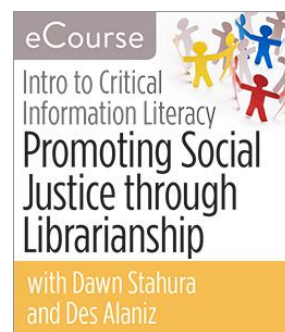
Join Apollo representative Cameron Charbonnet for a walk through of how Apollo can help automate tasks at your library. Go from making do with your current system to making Apollo work for you. Cameron will outline what sets Apollo, which is solely for public libraries, apart from all others including: SMS text messages with available two-way texting, automatic value calculator, item duplicate check at an authority record level, and an included Kids Catalog. All available with no contract and with a free trial.



Presenter: Cameron Charbonnet has been with Biblionix since 2013 and has guided every customer since that time from initial demonstration and trialing stages to going live with Apollo.



Get ready for Money Smart Week (MSW) 2019, which takes place **March 30-April 6, 2019**. Help your patrons of all ages learn about financial literacy! Many valuable resources may be found on the website, and [becoming a partner](#) gets you materials and speakers to help with financial training programs.



Grant Opportunities:

Library of Michigan LSTA Grant Programs

The Library of Michigan offers three different LSTA grant programs:

- **Collaborative Library Services Grant Program** - Large grants, with grant periods from one to three years (Oct.-Sept.) with funding amounts between \$50,000 and \$225,000 per year, up to a possible total of \$500,000. Funding availability and any change in program priorities will be announced in December for grants that begin October 1, 2019. If funding is available, an **Intent to File form will be due January 31, 2019 and the application will be due May 31, 2019.**
- **Public Library Services Grant Program** - Small grants for public library service, a summer quick grant funding supplies and materials for a specific program. Funding amounts are between \$500 and \$2,000 and projects must align to the topics and LSTA priorities specified. **The application will reopen February 2019.**

***To view the grant funding webinar given by Karren Reish from the Library of Michigan, go to: [grant webinar link](#).

New WebJunction Course: Grantseeking for Libraries

Funding sources for libraries is an important discussion for library staff, board members, and even the community at large. Finding and increasing funding from private sources allows libraries to better meet the needs of their communities. With the help of a self-paced course from Foundation Center, you can learn how to find and secure new financial support for your library. The [online course](#) walks you through tips that highlight what you need to know to be successful when seeking grants.



YALSA 2018 Summer Learning Grants Now Available

Through generous funding from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, YALSA is excited to offer two types of grants, both worth \$1,000 each: a [Summer Learning Resources Grant](#) and a [Teen Summer Intern Program Grant](#).

Twenty-five summer learning resources grants will be awarded to libraries in need and will allow them to provide resources and services to teens who are English language learners, struggling in school and/or who are from socio-economically challenged communities. Twenty-five teen summer intern program grants will be awarded to libraries to support the implementation of summer learning programs while also providing teens a chance to build hands-on job skills.

Eligibility requirements apply. To learn more about the grants and to apply, please visit our [Summer Learning website](#). Apply by **January 1, 2019**.



Strengthening Communities Through Libraries

ALSC has received a \$124,528 Youth Literacy grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation to help libraries provide out-of-school time STEAM learning for children. ALSC will award fourteen \$5,000 Strengthening Communities Through Libraries minigrants to ALSC personal members in public libraries whose libraries are within 20 miles of a Dollar General corporate or retail location. In addition to minigrants, ALSC will also develop supplemental resources that will be made

widely available to support the out-of-school time programming of libraries and their community partners. This is the third year ALSC will use its grant funds to support out-of-school time STEAM programming. Grantees from 2018 and 2017 are listed below.

[Apply for the 2019 Strengthening Communities Through Libraries Grant Now!](#)



The American Library Association (ALA) and Dollar General Literacy Foundation invite public libraries to apply for grants to expand services for English language learners or adults in need of basic education and workforce development.

Up to 16 grants of \$10,000 each will be awarded. [Read the project guidelines and apply online](#) by Dec. 14, 2018.

Public libraries are eligible if they serve adult English language learners and are located within 20 miles of a Dollar General Store, distribution center or corporate office. Visit the [Dollar General Store Locator](#) to check eligibility.



[Get notifications from Grants.gov - click here](#)

Learning Support \$\$\$ Library Continuing Education Program www.michigan.gov/cestipend

The Library of Michigan encourages Michigan public, academic and school library staff to apply for continuing education stipends. The program details and criteria are listed in the program criteria document. [Please read the criteria and the application questions BEFORE submitting an application online.](#) You can apply at any time and your application will be considered at the end of each quarter.

MLA Scholarship

Deadline September 1. MLA has a scholarship fund to assist individuals with defraying costs for attending MLA workshops, educational events and the association's annual conference. Applicant must be an individual member of MLA to qualify for an "Individual Member

Scholarship." Organizational members may apply for a scholarship on behalf of any staff member, if that person is an individual member of MLA. [APPLY HERE](#)



Bridging the Digital Divide by Building Digital Literacy Skills



The Free Mozilla Web Literacy Curriculum

Mozilla has spent a lot of time and resources creating curriculum to support the development of [core web literacy skills](#). The curriculum is freely available to anyone.



Collaborative Summer Library Program



The 2019 "A Universe of Stories" [manual](#) is up and [ShopCSLP](#) is open! Please designate *one* employee in your library building to request a code. Again, please request just 1 code per library! Below are the steps to access the on-line manual.

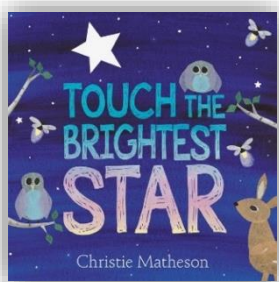
- Go to: <https://www.csllpreads.org/> You must have a CSLP login and password. If you are not registered on the CSLP website, please create an account by clicking on Login/Register in the upper right hand corner of the [CSLP website](#)
- Once you are logged into the site, hover over Proprietary Downloads located on the tool bar and click on *Obtain 2019 Online Access Codes*, located as the 2nd drop-down option when hovering.
- Choose your STATE.
- Complete the request form (1 request per library building) with your: City, Library Name, first and last name, and e-mail address and then click the *Submit* button.

- The 2019 manual access code will appear on your screen (please take note of it) and an e-mail confirmation will be sent to you.

You should only share this code with those staff members in your building who have a CSLP website account.

- Once you have the building access code, go back to the CSLP website Proprietary Downloads and click on: *On-Line Manual Access*. From here you will be able to see each of the four manuals to download or print any part you are researching. If you have any problems with accessing your manual, please contact the CSLP office at contact@cslpreads.org or by phone at: 866-657-8556.

Prize catalogs will be snail-mailed along with a letter about summer reading soon, but I wanted to get you all started online asap. There are a very limited number of manuals on USB, first come first serve. [Print manuals](#) are available for purchase. (poster images inserted below!) New 2019 hashtag for social media: #LibrariesLiftOff
Summer Reading Survey 2018 prize winner: Shelby Area District Library!



Ready to Read Michigan

The book for 2019's Ready to Read Michigan (RTRM) program will be [Touch the Brightest Star](#) by Christie Matheson (HarperCollins Publishers, 2015). The book was selected by the Library of Michigan's [Youth Services Advisory Council](#) as an interactive read-aloud for children 0-5 years of age. Additional information about what the RTRM public library kit will include and upcoming training on outreach and engaging your audiences with this delightful story will be coming soon.

MiYouth!

The Library of Michigan has begun a new listserv specifically for *public library staff who conduct children and teen programming and services*. To sign-up go to: to:

<http://mail2.mcsls.org/mailman/listinfo/miyouth>

There will be conducting polling, discussions of youth services related topics, and announcements of upcoming trainings and programs. There are a number of youth services staff not on Michlib-L, but they will want to sign-up for this new listserv! Please spread the word to anyone on your team in youth services.

Michigan Public Library Statistics Reports

This collection of reports contains the most often requested data inquiries from public library staff, trustees, the public and various other stakeholders and policy makers.

LIBRARIES TRANSFORM[®]

Video: Five Easy Ways to Use Libraries Transform



Get inspired—in a new [video](#), learn how the James V. Brown Library in Williamsport, PA, customized free Libraries Transform tools to fulfill their public awareness goals. Library advocates like you can adapt their creative marketing tactics in your own communications efforts. For more Libraries Transform ideas and examples, visit the [Real Stories](#) page on our website.



The Library of Michigan has launched its collection of circulating law titles. From constitutional law, civil rights, and court procedures to how to handle a divorce, estate plan, or landlord-tenant matter, from new self-help titles with a Michigan focus to legal classics, we're ready to move the books off the shelves and out around the state. Browse and borrow items directly from the stacks of the State Law Library or check them out at your local public library through MeLCat. **Here are some samples:**

Every Landlord's Tax Deduction Guide: This straightforward guide will help landlords understand their potential tax deductions in a format that is easy to follow.

Michigan Building Code, 2015: Michigan's current code includes information about building permits, regulations for building systems, and other provisions for building professionals to reference.

Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and the Law in a Nutshell: As an overview of state and federal laws about the LGBT community, this guide covers a lot of information in a simple-to-understand format. Some of the topics covered are an overview of historical regulations, laws on parenthood and marriage, and laws on nondiscrimination.

Student Loan Law: A good overview of student loans and your options when it comes to repayment and default. The guide mostly covers federal loans, but there is a section on private loans as well.

Questions? Be sure to give us a call at our new number – [517-335-1480](tel:517-335-1480) - or email us at lmlawlib@michigan.gov.

Narcan ~~~

Emergent Biosolutions, the biomedical company that now manufactures Narcan, has instituted a program where the **company will provide two doses of Narcan free of charge to public libraries**. Public libraries interested in participating in this program can obtain additional details [here](#). Article: <https://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/blogs/the-scoop/narcan-company-supply-free-narcan-to-libraries/> Article: <http://time.com/5432950/narcan-libraries-ymca/>

The Library of Michigan infosheet on the legal issues surrounding Public Libraries' use of Narcan can be found [here](#). PLA will collaborate with [OCLC](#) on new project to collect and share knowledge and resources to support public libraries and their community partners in addressing the opioid crisis. OCLC was awarded a \$249,714 National Leadership Grant from the [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#) to perform this work. Together, the two organizations will produce eight case studies of varied communities in which the public library is already playing a role in responding to the opioid crisis.

A steering committee of library leaders, partner organizations and researchers will guide the work. The project will run through December 2019. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Smithsonian Museum on Main Street--Crossroads: Change in Rural America

Michigan Humanities is bringing the Smithsonian's traveling exhibit **Crossroads: Change in Rural America** to Michigan in 2019. Crossroads is an exploration of the past,



Michigan Humanities Council
our stories, our lives

present, and future of rural America. As a host of Crossroads, your site will have the opportunity to work with

partners in your area to create programming, exhibits, and community conversations that share your small town Michigan stories. The request for proposals and application can be found on the website:

<http://www.michiganhumanities.org/crossroads-in-michigan/>. Applications will be accepted through Monday, December 3, 2018. Please contact Program Officer, James Nelson, with any questions. Email: jnelson@mhumanities.org or phone: (517) 372-7770.



The ALSC Mentoring Program seeks to match individuals with an interest in library service to children together for this one-year program.

This program is administered by the ALSC

Membership Committee and the Managing Children's Services Committee.

MLA New Library Director Academy: Survive and Thrive as a Library Director

Dates and Times

- Monday, February 26, 2019 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in person. Location: Lansing
- Monday, March 11, 2019 10:00 - 10:50 a.m. Webinar
- Monday, March 26, 2019 10:00 - 10:50 a.m. Webinar
- Monday, April 8, 2019 10:00 - 10:50 a.m. Webinar

Date and Time TBD
45-minute individual consulting session with Maxine

Date TBD
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in person (step up and networking). Additional networking/traveling opportunities for attendees available on and offsite. Location: MLA Office, Lansing

Are you a newly appointed library director in need of support and information?

Join Maxine Blomster for the MLA New Library Director Academy. Maxine will share as a Library Director. Her four session seminar begins in February 2019 and will address the many issues confronting new directors. The program includes an in-person workshop, three webinars, and an individual consulting session with Maxine and wrap up with a networking event.

With 40 years of public library experience, Maxine holds certificates and captain licenses for first assistant and team leader.

While management books and courses can be helpful, this approach bridges the gap between theory and practice to help you think as a community leader and public library director.

This combination of small group support and expert guidance is unique to this program. If there are personal or situational barriers based on participants' needs and you're already a close contact of one director who can support you throughout your career.

The program will address the original topics confronting a new director: suggested reading and discussion of practical scenarios will help you develop your leadership skills. Some of the topics include:

- personnel
- managing budgets and city managers
- operating budgets
- working with community for support
- taking care of yourself
- community leadership and management tools.

Cost for the entire program including travel on sessions is \$475 for MLA members and \$675 for non-members.

Don't miss Maxine Blomster's *Chasing Maxine* Address: The Game, You Don't Know How to Go Out and Campaign. Friday, October 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the U.S. 11:00 a.m. Central Time. Join Maxine during the Opening Reception on Monday, October 15, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Register Online www.mllibraries.org



2018-2022 Strategic Plan
PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Approved by the Public Library Association (PLA) Board of Directors, June 2018

Public Library Association

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