

Good Morning and Happy May Day! Today in EYE-OPENER May 1, 2017

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1) May is Older Americans Month: Since 1963, May has been designated as "Older Americans Month." Originally titled "Senior Citizens Month" by President Kennedy, it was President Carter's administration that re-named it "Older Americans Month" in 1980.

The 2017 theme is "Age Out Loud," giving aging a new voice, one that reflects what today's older adults have to say. The purpose of Older Americans Month is to acknowledge the vitality, aspirations, and contributions of older citizens, in particular those who defended our country. Every President since JFK has issued a formal proclamation in May asking that the entire nation pay tribute in some way to older persons in their communities. Making Older Americans Month a perfect occasion for library book displays, bulletin boards, and programming.

The Administration on Aging, along with the Administration for Community Living are major sponsors of **Older Americans Month**. From their websites you can find logos and posters to help with your local promotions. Learn more about **Older Americans Month** here https://oam.acl.gov/ and share your plans with each other on **LIBRARY TALK!**

2) Public Library Management Course This Summer: The spring round of Public Library Management 1 course was full to overflowing, so the State Library is offering a summer session of PLM1. It's now open for registration in the C.E. Catalog—note registration deadline is May 23:

https://statelibraryofiowa.lmscheckout.com/Course/view/557565.



Summer PLM1 classes will meet on **Tuesdays June 13 through August 8**—skipping July 4 because of the holiday. The first class will be held inperson on Tuesday June 13 at Grimes Public Library; the remaining seven classes will be held online using Adobe Connect Classrooms.

Attendance at the first class in Grimes is mandatory. Note that directors are allowed first admittance, support staff will be admitted as room permits. The course is limited to 25 students; all are expected to have a computer and a headset/microphone for the online classes. Send any questions to your District consultant or to Alysia Peich alysia.peich@iowa.gov



3) New SILO-ILL System Open For Business: The State Library's new SILO-ILL System is operational today—May 1. Throughout April, Iowa library directors and staff began setting up individual SILO accounts, in addition to joining instructional webinars. Now on Day One, new transactions can be entered into the new system. Here's the login page https://ill2.silo.lib.ia.us/

The current **SILO Interlibrary Loan System** has served libraries well for 20 years, but the new version improves workflow and adds several expanded tracking features. Both the old and new **SILO ILL systems** will run simultaneously as transactions continue to move through the old system. Menu options on the old system will gradually disappear as functionality moves over to the new system.

If you missed the instructional webinars in the past two weeks, there are video clips that provide an overview of the new **SILO-ILL system**. Find out how to use the new system for creating and processing transactions, as well as how to use some of the new features including tracking transactions, reports, printable shelf lists, book inserts, and mailing labels. SO...review the video clips below http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/q-s/silo/interlibrary-loan/new-III-system and when needed, contact **NW District's Amanda Grom** with questions amanda.grom@iowa.gov

❖ Video: Part 1 Overview

This video explains the transition from the old system to the new system, introduces roles, permissions and groups of users, defines terms used in the new system and traces the path of the transactions travel within the system.

Video: Part 2 Overview

This video demonstrates the new system by examining the menu options and shows how to use the system to create a transaction and how to process transactions.

Slides with notes in PDF

Slides used in the webinar and the videos. Use these for more detailed information about the system. This document is in PDF for easy downloading and printing

Glossary of ILL terms in PDF

Use this guide to become familiar with the terms and states of interlibrary loan transactions. This document is in PDF for easy downloading and printing



4) EBSCOHost Buying Group: Jay Peterson has this news about extra databases available from EBSCO. The **EBSCOhost Buying Group** is offering additional resources again this year. Many lowa libraries already subscribe to "add-on databases," meaning libraries are purchasing products such as *Novelist*, *Hobbies & Crafts*, *Small Engine Repair* in addition to the base EBSCOHost package supplied by the State Library. The good news is these additional products are available at significant discounts.

As part of a **trial period** that extends **until May 31**, the six products listed below are those available to look at. These live links take you to EBSCO webpages with much more information about each one:

- Auto Repair Reference Center
- Consumer Health Complete
- Hobbies and Crafts Reference Center
- Home Improvement Reference Center
- NoveList Plus
- Small Engine Repair Reference Center

To help you decide which of these products will best meet your community interests, take advantage of this current **trial period.** Again, the **trial period extends until May 31**st and as Jay advises: "...we highly recommend you add them now so we can bring many libraries into one grouping rather than bringing libraries in little by little throughout the year. However, if you can't arrange the money now, but could pay later in the year, we can work with you on that..."

Trial Period Instructions: log into the FREE TRIAL using this link http://trial.ebscohost.com Then for USER ID, use iowa3 / for PASSWORD use buyinggroup.

We are offering one more resource that we can't provide a trial for and that is a marketing application called *Library Aware*. Learn more about *Library Aware* here https://www.libraryaware.com/ Be sure to let Jay Peterson know if any questions (jay.peterson@iowa.gov)



5) Meetings / Events This Week: The **Kids First Conference** is on, taking place in Des Moines this week. Hoping everyone attending enjoys a good conference!

I'll join Rock Valley PL board meeting this evening and a meeting of Northwest AEA's school media specialists on Wednesday.

The **lowa Small Library Association** holds its spring meeting this **Friday May 5 (9:30AM-12:23PM)** Several libraries across the state

are hosting this online venue using ZOOM; look to a LIBRARY TALK post last week by Sarah Sellon listing all the host locations.

Northwest Iowa libraries are cordially invited to Larchwood Public Library on Saturday May 6th. The library will be celebrating its 90th anniversary with an open house from 9:00AM-1:00PM that day, neighboring libraries are welcome to attend.

Many national webinars to choose from in the month of May. Find descriptions and registration info here http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/c-d/continuing-ed/other-conted

May 2. 1:00-2:00PM. Basics of Personal Digital File Management sponsored by Booklist https://www.booklistonline.com/webinars

May 4. 1:00-2:30PM. *Building a Stellar Grantseeking Team* sponsored by TechSoup https://cc.readytalk.com/registration/#/?meeting=gg3e76guf1gl&campaign=kem78eexgsi

May 5. 1:00-2:00PM. *People - Difficult or Different?* sponsored by Effectiveness Institute

http://www.effectivenessinstitute.com/index.php?option=com_dtregister&Itemid=54



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