



Monday Morning Eye-Opener May 6, 2019

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Good Morning! May 6, 2019

New Digital Resource Coming:



Opposing Viewpoints

Beginning July 1, 2019, the State Library will add **Opposing Viewpoints** to the Online Resources Package for Iowa public libraries

for FY2020. **Opposing Viewpoints** is the premier online resource covering today's most newsworthy social issues. The State Library will incur the cost of providing **Opposing Viewpoints** throughout FY2020 to Iowa libraries participating in the Gale Online Resources Package.

Students and faculty will likely be quite familiar with **Opposing Viewpoints**, so this will be an "easy sell" as you set about promoting this additional new product at your public library. **Opposing Viewpoints** offers context and informed opinion on hundreds of today's most talked-about social issues. It features continuously updated viewpoints, topic overviews, full-text magazines, academic journals, news articles, primary source documents, statistics, images, videos, audio files and links to vetted websites organized into a user-friendly portal experience.

Highlights:

- 4 million full-text articles drawn from periodicals and newspapers such as *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Newsweek*, *Foreign Policy*, and more
- Over 19,000 viewpoint articles from premier news and journal sources as well as various Greenhaven and Gale titles.
- More than 16,300 videos, 154,900 images, and 197,800 audio files from such sources as *The New York Times*, AP Video News, Tribune Content Agency Photos, and NPR.

- Portal pages covering popular issues to provide students and educators with a starting point for research.

A training webinar will be held on **Wednesday June 19** (9:00AM) opening a good chance to ask questions about this newly available resource--register today!

Opposing Viewpoints Webinar



ARSL

The Association for Rural & Small Libraries

Apply For Scholarships ...



To 2019 ARSL Conference

The **2019 ARSL Conference**—Association for Rural and Small Libraries—is scheduled for **September 5-7 in Burlington, Vermont**. And conference planners are offering four scholarships to first-time attendees. Note: there are differences in the eligibility criteria for the four awards, so be sure to read through the choices carefully to match up with your own circumstances. Here are descriptions of the four:

- **The Dr. Bernard Vavrek Scholarship** is for current part-time or full-time students taking Library and Information Science classes
- **The Founders Scholarship** is for current ARSL members who have been working in the library profession for 5 years or less
- **The Ken Davenport Scholarship** is for current ARSL members who have been working in the library profession for 6 to 10 years
- **The Angel Scholarship** is open to current ARSL members who have been working in the library profession for any length of time

While general conference registration is already full, the scholarship committee promises that will be four open spots saved for the scholarship winners.

Applications must be submitted by 5:00PM on May 24; click below to access the application. Reach out to Shirley Vonderhaar, Chair of the ARSL Scholarship Committee, with further questions scholarship@arsl.info

ARSL Scholarship Application



CONNECT, CREATE, CONTRIBUTE MAY 2019

May Is Older Americans Month

Connect, Create, Contribute

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 2019 theme is “**Connect, Create, Contribute,**” which encourages older adults to

- Connect with friends, family, and services that support participation
- Create by engaging in activities that promote learning, health, and personal enrichment
- Contribute time, talent, and life experience to benefit others

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, along with activities and resources to use in local programming. Learn more about **Older Americans Month** here and share your plans with each other on **LIBRARY TALK!**

Older Americans Month

This Week ...



Director Roundtables Get Underway

Happening throughout the month of May, **Director Roundtables** get underway this week. This year's theme is “**Libraries & Community Engagement.**”

The first of many happens this **Tuesday May 7** at

Missouri Valley Public Library (9:30AM-12:30PM) and another on **Thursday May**

at **West Des Moines Public Library** (9:30AM-12:30PM) Refer to the C.E. Catalog for all dates and locations throughout this month...and make plans to join the conversation!

[Register For Director Roundtables](#)

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