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Summer Breeze Colloquium Workshops Presented in Bismarck

North Dakota librarians and public library board members recently had the opportunity to attend the second-annual Summer Breeze Colloquium workshops, which were hosted by the North Dakota State Library. The workshops were August 7-8 in Bismarck, and featured several core topics of library management.

On the first day, attendees learned about library policies. State Library Field Services representatives and workshop attendees considered the issues and challenges behind good library policies and worked on drafting effective policies. In addition, attendees collaborated for the creation of brand new model policies for core library practices, like circulation, internet access provisions, and material selection.

Attendees at the 2012 Summer Breeze Colloquium hear from State Library Field Services Representative Elizabeth Jacobs. Jacobs presented "Strategies for Hiring Success," a session focused on successful hiring procedures and practices.

Tonya Schlaht, CPA, and a Tax Manager at Eide Bailly's Bismarck office (left) and Lisa Chaffee, CPA, and Senior Manager at Eide Bailly's Bismarck office (right) guided attendees through the process of creating a tax-exempt foundation to support your library.

Topics for the second day included the basics of hiring employees and how to start a tax exempt foundation in support of your library. The session, Strategies for Hiring Success, provided attendees with guidelines, strategies, and best practices to make the hiring process successful. The afternoon session, presented by Eide Bailly staff, illustrated the process of creating a tax exempt foundation, in compliance with IRS rules, to support your library.

For additional information about upcoming trainings and workshops available from the North Dakota State Library, or for assistance with library development opportunities at your library, please contact your State Library Field Services representative at http://1.usa.gov/zgZR03.

Did you know that LearningExpress Library, available at your local library or online at www.odin.nodak.edu/databases, provides access to practice tests, exercises, skill-building courses, and more? Utilize LearningExpress Library to achieve the results you want - at school, at work, or in life!

New News and Thoughts...

from State Librarian Hulen E. Bivins

It is almost time for a new school year to begin. This event, for adults, youth, and children, prompts many memories. For me, the season brings memories of the NBC-TV show of the 1950s called "Ding Dong School" which was hosted by Miss Frances. On each show, she started with a loud ringing of her school bell and then immediately began her teachings of the day which included beginning math, vocabulary enrichment, and crafts. Indeed, "Ding Dong School" was a highlight probably exceeded only by the "Kukla, Fran and Ollie" show, also on NBC-TV, which featured a favorite puppet named "Colonel Crackie" who was a Southern gentleman.

So, as the summer months draw to a close, it is time for many to begin making preparations for a new school season to be filled with new challenges and learning experiences. Children may have apprehension about new teachers and new subjects; youth may wonder how they can juggle their respective curriculum and part-time work at a local commercial establishment or on the family farm/ranch. Teachers, like their students, have concerns about new texts, the number of students in a class, and the responsiveness of the students to the education process. The common hope of all, however, is for a successful year of learning and accomplishment.

To aid this quest for success, the North Dakota State Library provides **TutorND** which is a program of learning that gives tutorial aid to students, age kindergarten to adult. The tutors interact with the students using a white board technique that allows for conversation in a format similar to the instant-messenger style. The tutors provide aid in the subject areas of social studies, English, science, and math. Each tutorial session may last up to 20 minutes; if the student needs additional help, additional time may be obtained with an additional log-in.

The great thing about **TutorND** is in the ability of the program to help make a difference in an individual's learning and accomplishment and, importantly, in their self-esteem. The tutorial aid provided can, obviously, help any student to pass any class and achieve those minimum standards that are required. But the great and wonderful thing that **TutorND** can do is to take the accomplished student and make them an exceptional student. Indeed, the tutorial assistance provided has often proved to be the difference between the "B+" student and the "A" student. Can you guess which student gets the scholarship dollars when they choose to go to college? Can you guess which student becomes the manager of the farm/ranch? Can you guess which student becomes the owner of a business?

TutorND is accessible to learners from almost any location in North Dakota between the hours of 6:00 to 10:00 PM (Central time), Sunday through Thursday - at the local public library; in school buildings; on the college campus; and, from the home of any citizen. As with the other databases provided by the North Dakota State Library, learners need only a local library card to facilitate a log-in at www.tutorND.com. **TutorND** is a no fee service of the North Dakota State Library, which makes the challenge to all the citizens of North Dakota to try **TutorND**. We think it will make a difference in your life because "knowledge is the fuel of success." It is now your turn to move to the head of the class!

Free Webinars for Teachers and Librarians

The North Dakota State Library hosts one-hour webinars twice daily on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 10:30 AM and 3:30 PM Central Time.

If you would like to learn more about library-related topics and resources, access the calendar at http://bit.ly/2kBbOM. Simply click on the webinar title and input the required contact information to register online. After you submit your registration you will receive a confirmation email with the direct webinar link.

The State Library uses GoToMeeting to deliver webinars. The only requirement is a computer with an Internet connection and a set of headphones or speakers. For optimum sound quality and interaction, a USB headset with an integrated microphone is recommended. If you do not have a microphone, you can use the chat feature to ask questions.

If the times, dates, or topics of the scheduled webinars do not meet your needs, contact Steve Axtman at 800-472-2104 or saxtman@nd.gov to schedule a webinar anytime 8:00am - 5:00pm, Monday - Friday.

Bill Walker, Imaging Field Services Officer for Amigos Library Services in Dallas, presented a two-day digitization workshop in Bismarck in July. Approximately twenty-five North Dakota librarians attended the workshop, which focused on the collection, production, and maintenance of digital materials.

North Dakota Library Tidbits

- The Leach Public Library in Wahpeton hosted a teen photography contest for the "Own the Night" summer reading program. The library partnered with ElenaK Photography in Fargo to teach teens how to capture great nighttime photos. Photo contest entries were displayed in the library for two weeks in July. The grand-prize winner received a copy of the photo editing software Adobe Photoshop Elements 10, which was donated by ElenaK Photography.
- The Lake Region Public Library summer reading program had 118 K-6 participants and 16 teen participants. The Groove Club entertained at the kickoff party, while the wrap-up party featured a visit by the First Lady of North Dakota, Mrs. Betsy Dalrymple, who spoke about the importance of reading to children.

CALENDAR

August 31
ODIN Advisory Council Meeting

September
Library Card Sign-up Month

September 19 - 22
NDLA Conference - Fargo

September 27 - 29
ARSL Conference - Raleigh, NC

September 30 - October 6
Banned Books Week

October 17-19
MPLA Conference - LaVista, NE

CHILDREN "DREAM BIG" AT ND SUMMER READING PROGRAMS!

The Heart of America Library in Rugby had over 150 participants during the 6-week summer reading program. Children were able to make fireflies, dreamcatchers, and planets and constellations as part of the program. Local businesses donated prizes for the young readers.

The Valley City Barnes County Public Library hosted a summer reading program for all ages. The children's "Fun Day" featured a sand box search for prizes, a fish pond, live music, star cookies, and a water balloon toss. During the summer, storytime was held every Wednesday at the library.

The McVille Community Library hosted its first-ever summer reading program in 2012. Over 30 children enrolled in the program and approximately 25 children attended each week's events. Library Director Jane Quanbeck reports: "The response from the children and the community was very positive. We're excited to make next summer's program even better!"

Owl cupcakes, glow-in-the-dark stars and moons, and bats and other nocturnal animals were the craft highlights during the Divide County Public Library summer reading program. Pictured above is Traci Lund, Library Director, reading stories during the stuffed animal sleepover. Approximately 40 children attended the summer reading programs each week.

CHILDREN "DREAM BIG" AT ND SUMMER READING PROGRAMS!

The Grand Forks Public Library summer reading final party was held on Thursday, August 2nd. Children who finished the 8-hour reading requirement had their name entered into a prize drawing, with a bicycle as the grand prize. 637 children entering grades kindergarten through seventh grade signed up for the program. An additional 180 babies, toddlers, and preschoolers joined the Storytime Summer Reading Program.

A pajama party and stuffed animal sleepover was held at the Lidgerwood Public Library on August 2. The children wore their pajamas and brought their stuffed animals. "Dark Night, Sleepy Night," "Dr. Seuss's Sleep Book" and "Night Monkey, Day Monkey" were read during storytime. The stuffed animals stayed overnight and were picked up the following morning.

Children in the Underwood community learned about "Dreaming Big" during the time of the dinosaurs. They made dinosaur crafts from various shapes during craft hour.

Children and teens at the West Fargo Public Library enjoyed decorating cookies as part of the summer reading program. Approximately 4,000 books were read by the 400 participants! The most popular programs were tie-dyeing shirts, pillowcase art, and pajama party.

Load the Bus!

The annual meeting of the North Dakota Library Association is fast approaching and library professionals across the state will gather in Fargo on September 19-22 for programs of professional enrichment and the opportunity to engage in conversations of "best practices." On Wednesday, September 19, three pre-conference programs are available. A highlight on Thursday morning will be the keynote address by Judy Drescher. Ms. Drescher is the former Director of Libraries for Memphis, Tennessee. Since her retirement, she has been involved in a wide variety of civic projects, arts groups, and grant-making consultancies. The address is titled "Walking the Talk: Everyday Advocacy." Thursday evening will feature the NDLA Awards banquet and activities that will attempt to be more memorable than the after-dinner events at last year's conference in Minot. Following two days of concurrent sessions designed for professional enrichment, the closing keynote address on Friday will feature Gene Ambaum and Bill Barnes, best known as the "Unshelved Guys." The program for Saturday's post-conference meeting is "Raising Awareness Through Characters - Building Children's Books." For more information, visit www.ndla.info/Conference/12conf.htm.

Troy Polamalu Chairs Library Card Sign-Up Month

This September, Pittsburgh Steelers two-time Super Bowl champion Troy Polamalu will encourage children to get the most important school supply of all - a library card. As the Honorary Chair of Library Card Sign-up Month, Polamalu has donated his image to print and digital public service announcements. The American Library Association (ALA) will place the PSAs in magazines and on websites to remind parents and educators that a library card is a key tool in achieving academic success.

To access the Library Card Sign-up month sample promotional materials, including print and audio PSAs and customizable press releases, please visit http://bit.ly/OWK3W5.

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Minitex Offers RDA Workshops

Following is a list of upcoming training opportunities. Please visit http://bit.ly/LLBzkM or contact NDSL's Training Coordinator, Steve Axtman at 701-328-3495 or saxtman@nd.gov.

RDA FOR THE SEASONED CATALOGER: PRINT MONOGRAPHS (SELF-PACED WORKSHOP)

As goes the Library of Congress, so go many other libraries. This may well be the case come March 31, 2013, when LC moves to using RDA for all of their original cataloging needs. In anticipation of this transition, Minitex is offering to experienced copy catalogers and original catalogers the following 3-part, self-paced workshop on cataloging books and other print monographs using the new standard in the MARC environment.

RDA FOR THE SEASONED CATALOGER: AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS (SELF-PACED WORKSHOP)

As with other formats, audiovisual cataloging will continue to carry on many AACR2 practices under RDA, but will see some changes too. This 3-part, self-paced workshop introduces the new cataloging standard to experienced copy catalogers and original catalogers, aiming particular attention to the descriptive portions of the MARC bibliographic record.

RDA FOR THE SEASONED CATALOGER: PRINT SERIALS (SELF-PACED WORKSHOP)

Experienced copy catalogers and original catalogers of serials who have an interest in learning more about RDA are welcome to participate in this 3-part, self-paced workshop. This online training series will focus on the instructions for reviewing and building RDA-MARC bibliographic records. Emphasis is placed on print serials, but e-serials will also be addressed briefly.

RDA CATALOGING: BASIC BOOKS (WEBINAR)

Minitex presents this 3-hour webinar for those copy catalogers looking only for a brief introduction to RDA and learning some basic techniques to copy catalog books using that new standard. Participants will be given the opportunity to perform hands-on exercises during the presentation.

New Library Science Publications at the State Library

Serving Latino communities : a how-to-do-it manual for librarians

Crash course in storytime fundamentals

Primary source teaching the web 2.0 way K-12

Reading with Oprah : the book club that changed America

Do-it-yourself brain surgery and other implausibly titled books

Let the students speak! : a history of the fight for free expression in American schools

Everything I know about love I learned from romance novels

Book love : a celebration of writers, readers, and the printed & bound book

Read on-- science fiction : reading lists for every taste

Bookspeak! : poems about books [juvenile]

ALA guide to economics & business reference

ALA guide to medical & health sciences reference

ALA guide to sociology & psychology reference

I am a pencil : a teacher, his kids, and their world of stories

North Dakota Sights and Scenes : World's Tallest Salesman Exhibit

Although his official height is a source of some controversy, Clifford Thompson was undoubtedly a very tall man. Thompson, born near Rugby, North Dakota, in 1904, claimed to be 8'7" tall and weigh 460 pounds.

Thompson earned his teaching certificate; performed in the circus; worked as a traveling salesman for milk, shoes, and Blatz beer; worked on his family's dairy farm; and acted in a few Hollywood movies. Later in life, he earned his law degree and practiced law until his death from cancer in 1955.

Clifford Thompson made a stop in Ames, Iowa for car repairs during a cross-country road trip. He is pictured here with Ames residents.

Photo courtesy of Becky Fehring and the Ames Historical Society.

At various times he was billed "The Scandinavian Giant," "The Wisconsin Paul Bunyan," "The Norwegian Viking Giant," and "Count Olaf," but the Clifford Thompson exhibit in Rugby refers to him simply as the "World's Tallest Salesman." The exhibit features a full-size 8'7" mannequin of Mr. Thompson and an outline of his size 22 shoes. According to RoadsideAmerica.com, when asked the question, "Why was Cliff so tall?" the exhibit curator replied, "That's what happens when you feed a Norwegian boy enough."

When you're in Rugby to visit the Clifford Thompson memorial, be sure to stop by the Heart of America Library on 3rd Street. You may also visit the Heart of America Library online at www.rugbyndlibrary.com.

This spring the Grand Forks Public Library took on the adventure of creating a garden for children. The project allows local children to become growers; growing not only vegetables, but growing enthusiasm for learning about nutrition, gardening, and caring for the environment. The library built four raised beds for vegetables and purchased seeds, gardening tools, and soil.

Children in kindergarten through 7th grade meet weekly to tend the garden and participate in gardening lessons. During the summer, children have learned about composting from a local extension agent, taste-tested new fruits and vegetables, and discovered how good soil creates healthy plants. Later this summer, children are looking forward to a Farmer's Market field trip, harvesting their vegetables, and participating in "Kids in the Kitchen," a cooking class using vegetables from the garden.

2012 Theodore Roosevelt Symposium

"Theodore Roosevelt: The Progressive in the Arena" is the title of the 2012 Theodore Roosevelt Symposium to be held September 20-22, 2012, at Dickinson State University. Speakers for the event will include Kathleen Dalton, author of *Theodore Roosevelt: A Strenuous Life*; Nancy Unger, author of *Fighting Bob La Follette: The Righteous Reformer*; Jeffrey Ostler, author of *Prairie Populism: The Fate of Agrarian Radicalism in Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa, 1880-1892*; as well as Professor Mark Harvey from North Dakota State University, Professor Kimberly Porter from the University of North Dakota, and Professor Frank Varney from Dickinson State University.

The symposium will try to place Roosevelt in the larger context of progressivism and the progressive movement. Speakers and attendees will also explore Roosevelt's relationship with the various threads of prairie discontentment between 1880 and 1919, including North Dakota's Nonpartisan League.

For more information or to register, please visit the Theodore Roosevelt Center online at http://bit.ly/OSfRHQ.

Did You Know?

William Shatner (Captain Kirk from Star Trek) could never spread his fingers in the Vulcan salute unless the studio crew taped or tied fishing line around his fingers.

Source: http://nyti.ms/QGiSMj

The Best Picture Books

Published by ALA Editions, Picture Books for Children: Fiction, Folktales, and Poetry by Mary Northrup is a comprehensive overview perfect for librarians, teachers, parents, daycare providers, and anyone who works with young children. Providing descriptive annotations of the best children's picture book titles published in the last decade, it is both an excellent tool for collection development and an abundant resource for planning storytimes and other children's programming. Visit http://bit.ly/S01KHa for additional information.

Internet Websites of Interest

If you're surfing the Internet and don't have anything interesting to research, you might want to check out the following websites.

www.imdb.com - The Internet Movie Database allows users to search for movies, TV shows, and actors.

http://bit.ly/P2J0ld Fantastic Fiction provides readers with a list of authors' books, biographies, and upcoming book release dates. Books are listed in series and chronological order.

www.apples4theteacher.com - Free elementary language arts activities and educational, interactive games, including reading, writing, and book making online for kids.

www.history.com/this-day-in-history - Information about this day in history.

Emerald Offers Olympic Research

The 2012 Summer Olympic Games began on July 27 in London, England. Emerald Publishing is offering free access to ten Olympic related articles now through October 2012. Although the games are now over, the articles take a broad look at some of the key issues surrounding the hosting and running of "mega" events. Topics covered include logistics, impact on host countries, advertising and tourism. For more data visit http://bit.ly/MfpOPn.

Top 10 Business Books for 2012

The idea that all business books are only concerned with management and investing is an outdated concept. Effective public speaking, protecting your child against crass commercialism, and computer hacking all fall within the purview of today's business books. Based on reviews for the past months, *Booklist* offers suggestions of ten titles to be considered for library collections. The annotations of the titles may be found at http://bit.ly/N0oLZw.

2012 Amelia Elizabeth Walden Book Award

The Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English has announced Lauren Myracle's *Shine* as the winner of its 2012 Amelia Elizabeth Walden Book Award for Young Adult Fiction. The annual award presents $5,000 to the author of a young adult title that demonstrates a positive approach to life, widespread teen appeal, and literary merit. More information and notation of the other finalist may be found at http://bit.ly/N1K232.

Tips and Tricks for Your Nexus 7 Tablet

A list of 40 tips, tricks, and shortcuts for the Google's new Nexus 7 tablet, from basic getting-started tips for the beginner to hacks and ROMs for advanced users are provided by the periodical *Ebook Reader* (June 21 issue) at http://bit.ly/MBky9Z .

A Library of Congress Ebook App

The Library of Congress has released "Words to the Wise: The Aesop's Fables e-Book," an interactive version of the classic Aesop tales, featuring the colorful illustrations of artist Milo Winter. The free ebook is available on the Library's Read.gov website and as a free app for the iOS and Android platforms. The ebook is a project of LC's Center for the Book. See http://1.usa.gov/NoMVqy.

The Power of Conversational Leadership

Communication is always a challenge, especially in a large setting. Authors Boris Groysberg and Michael Slind discuss why it makes sense to adopt the principles of "face-to-face conversation" in organizational communication. This view of communication would displace the classic "command-and-control structure" in which a few people are sending all the directives from the top of the corporate hierarchy. From the *Harvard Business Review* at http://bit.ly/PDNu0s.

Library Comparative Data Updated

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) has updated the Public Libraries Search and Compare tools on their website with FY2010 data. To compare data from your library with other libraries around the country, simply visit http://1.usa.gov/PDHHbk and click the Compare Public Libraries link.

New School Library Articles

Three new research articles covering the process of teacher/school librarian collaboration, the role of the school librarian as a leader in technology integration, and the function of school librarians in Response to Intervention (RtI) are now available online as part of AASL's online journal, *School Library Research*. The articles are by Sue Kimmel, Melissa Johnston, and Jennifer Robins and Patricia Antrim. For additional information, please visit http://bit.ly/OLW00R.

TED : Ideas Worth Spreading

With half a million " TED Talk" video views every day, TED (short for Technology, Entertainment, Design) certainly has garnered much attention since its website launch in 2007. The TED organization is not new (it was founded as a one-time conference in 1984), but its notoriety as a purveyor of information has grown steadily since the advent of TEDTalks, short videos that attempt to share what happens at TED.

Covering topics such as education, augmented reality, global security, art, social media, and almost everything in between (including a 3-minute talk on shoe-tying), TED has become one of the foremost outlets for the world's inspired and engaging thinkers. Some past presenters include Bill Clinton, Jane Goodall, Malcolm Gladwell, Al Gore, Gordon Brown, Richard Dawkins, Bill Gates, educator Salman Khan, Google founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin, and many Nobel Prize winners.

Check out TED online at www.ted.com. For those of you interested in learning how to tie a better shoelace knot, please visit http://bit.ly/OHiaB6.

Digital Preservation in a Box

The latest project from the National Digital Stewardship Alliance, Outreach Working Group, has now reached a milestone with the public unveiling of a new resource, "Digital Preservation in a Box." The "Box" is a virtual one and is essentially an online collection of resources for the learning and teaching of digital preservation – collected, organized and accessible through one place.

A basic rundown of the "Box" contents includes:

- Digital Preservation 101 – introductory materials, including videos, articles, and tutorials explaining the concepts involved in digital preservation;
- Glossary – collection of glossaries from various institutions and programs, containing explanations of relevant terms;
- Preservation by Format – where to find information for specific digital formats including photographs, audio, video, email, etc.;
- Digital Preservation Tools – basic tools listed for either "consumer" or "information professional;"
- Digital Storage – some options geared towards personal archiving or the basic knowledge needed to understand preservation storage technology;
- Resources for Educators – curriculum guidance and teaching materials;
- Marketing and Outreach – links to marketing materials that can be adapted to support specific events;
- Event Guidance – what you need to know to prepare a digital preservation event at your institution; and,
- Brief Introduction to Digitization – all about scanning, and making the distinction between digital preservation and digitization.

For additional information, please visit the Digital Preservation In a Box online at http://bit.ly/O06g7x.

Did You Know?

- The Digital Public Library of America received recently a $1 million award from the National Endowment for the Humanities to support the creation of the infrastructure for a national open-access digital library. More information is available at http://bit.ly/Ox3hC4.
- It is possible to use Dropbox as a transfer point for ebook files between your computer and your iPad. For detailed instructions, visit http://nyti.ms/PKOU9F.
- Nike paid $35 for its "Swoosh" logo. The controversial 2012 London Olympics logo cost $625,000. For more information about these and other well-known logos, visit http://bit.ly/NmdA9l.
- You can now download *Your Unofficial Kindle Fire Manual*, a free ebook by Christian Cawley. This manual outlines how to do just about anything with Amazon's combination tablet and e-reader. For more information and a download link, please visit http://bit.ly/ONYPOM.
- Scholastic plans to launch the Harry Potter Reading Club, an online destination created to share the magical world of Harry Potter, with a live webcast on October 11. J. K. Rowling will participate in the webcast. The Twitter hashtag will be #hpREADS. More information is available at http://bit.ly/ON4Ht6.
- Google has a basic calculator available for use when you type the word "calculator" in the search box. It's not fancy, but it does the job! Check it out at http://bit.ly/N3vf8d.
- The National Agricultural Library offers resources that identify plants within a certain category - everything from weeds to wildflowers. More information is available at http://1.usa.gov/RpVwM7.
- Library Ideas, LLC provides an alternative ebook borrowing model that's similar to their Freegal Music service. The Freading service offers library patrons unlimited, simultaneous access to the available titles. There's no access fee for libraries; however, there is a $150 setup fee for first-time library customers of Library Ideas. For additional information, read Michael Kelley's article "Freading on the Rise" in *Library Journal* at http://bit.ly/PoyBTk.
- You can use the helpful guide to self-publishing services provided by Devon Glenn at http://bit.ly/OFPGWK.
- Ronald Reagan's secret service code name was "Rawhide." Check out the top ten Secret Service code names for U.S. political figures at http://ti.me/NqCfaR.

A Thirst for Knowledge

At the end of Henszlmann Imre street in Budapest, Hungary, is a masterfully original water display in the form of a book. Every few seconds a sheet of water blasts forth from the book's spine, arcing from one side to the other and creating the illusion that an invisible force is turning the pages of this marble tome. See it online at http://bit.ly/MmejLQ.

Catalogue of Texts

The Alex Catalogue of Electronic Texts is a collection of public domain and open access documents with a focus on American and English literature as well as Western philosophy. Its purpose is to help facilitate a person's liberal arts education. To search online, visit http://bit.ly/MmiVBN.

Chance favors the prepared mind.

~ Louis Pasteur

World Book Night 2013

World Book Night 2013 will be a celebration of literacy by publishers, bookstores, libraries, and individuals who love books and reading. On April 23, 2013, 25,000 "book givers" will each give away 20 copies of a specially printed, not-for-resale WBN edition of a book they have read and loved to people who may never have owned a book of their own. The books will be selected from a list of 25–30 titles to be selected by librarians and booksellers. If your library would like to participate, fill out the form and return it by October 1. For more information, please visit http://bit.ly/RsMPVA.

Tips for Switching From iPhone to Android

The July 24 issue of *PC Magazine* notes that only a few years ago, individuals considering a switch from an iPhone to an Android device would have been faced with a significant reduction in technology and features. That's no longer an issue, thanks to the advent of super-fast 4G LTE phones, massive high-resolution displays, free GPS navigation, and Google Play's enormous expansion. Read the full article online at http://bit.ly/N8T3HQ to ensure your transition from iOS to Android goes smoothly.

Goodbye, Hotmail

Hotmail, Microsoft's free web-based email service, has gone through many changes since its launch in 1996. On July 31, Microsoft rebranded the service under the Outlook banner, now at Outlook.com. If you (or your library) have a Hotmail email address, you will still be able to keep the address but your account will be converted to an Outlook.com account. More information is available online at http://on.mash.to/OKQYzR.

Keep Your Online Identity Secure

How safe is your online identity? If you think you're immune from hacking and cyber crime, consider this - Matt Honan, a writer and journalist for Wired, recently had his online identity stolen and erased. His e-mail and Twitter accounts were compromised. His iPhone, iPad, and MacBook were wiped of all data. Worst of all, pictures of his young daughter were permanently deleted from his iCloud account. Use the tips available from Gizmodo at http://bit.ly/RAx0Mz to keep your online identity secure.

Genealogy Freebies

A directory of free genealogy resources, including software, charts and forms, lessons, lookups, forums, form letters, translators, clipart, graphics, and more is available at http://bit.ly/OE249B.

Did You Know?

In 1936, the average high temperature for the entire month of July in Linton, North Dakota, was 102.1 degrees.

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Classic Books Coming Soon to a Theater Near You!

Classic books are a hot topic in the subject of upcoming movies. *Entertainment Weekly* recently provided information of what the public has to look forward to in the coming months. First up will be *Wuthering Heights*, in theaters on Oct. 5, starring Kaya Scodelario (of "Skins" fame) as Catherine. Next to appear in theaters will be *Anna Karenina* on November 9 with Keira Knightley and Jude Law. Law is starring as Anna's husband, Alexi Karenin rather than in the role of Vronsky (her lover). Hugh Jackman will star as Jean Valjean, with Russell Crowe as Inspector Javert in *Les Miserables*, on Dec. 14. Martin Freeman will play Bilbo and Elijah Wood will play Frodo in *The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey,* opening in December. In theaters Christmas day will be the *The Great Gatsby* starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Carey Mulligan. Finally, *Life of Pi* will be released on November 21, starring Tobey Maguire, Suraj Sharma, and Irrfan Khan.

Librarians, check the availability of these titles in your collection. The movie releases may spark a renewed interest among your patrons to read the books.

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