



UPCOMING EVENTS IN LIBRARY LEARNING

Please be sure to check out all of the exciting events being hosted by LCLS in the coming weeks. To access this information, please check out the [events calendar](#).

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Lewis & Clark Library System will be closed on Friday, April 10, 2009, in observance of Spring Break. There will be no courier services on this day.

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE

And ask them to support HB793--Open Meetings Act. This amendment applies to Library Systems representing a geographic area larger than 4,500 square miles and will allow those Boards to have an electronic quorum.

To find your representative go to

<http://capwiz.com/ala/il/directory/statedir.tt?state=IL&lvl=state>, put in your zip code (you may also need to put your full address) to get a phone number.

<http://capwiz.com/ala/il/issues/bills/?bill=12643691>

INTERESTED IN FEDERAL MONEY FOR LIBRARIES?

If the answer is, "YES!" here's an opportunity to support LSTA and schools. Get in touch with your U.S legislators ASAP. Go [here](#) to learn more about contacting your legislators.

OCLC SURVEY

The State Library encourages participation in a Web-based [survey](#) among librarians and other interested constituents. The primary goal of this survey is to gather input from both OCLC members and non-members about a proposed OCLC policy, Policy for Use and

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MAKE YOUR PLANS FOR ALA

Looking for an inexpensive, safe, and fun way to get to Chicago for the [ALA Annual Conference](#)? Consider the [Megabus](#)! LCLS staff attending were able to book roundtrip tickets for between \$11.50 and \$30.

LIBRARY MANAGEMENT COMPETENCY EVALUATION

In order to best leverage the Library Management competencies that WebJunction has recently added to their Course Catalog, they are conducting a brief (12 question) [survey](#) that will help to assess current levels of competency in particular Library Management skills.

This is a great chance for library staff to get a sense of their own competency levels and then connect them back to the WJIL resources and Course Catalog.

<http://webjunctionworks.org/il/blog/index.php/2009/04/01/evaluate-your-competency-in-library-management-skills/>

WJIL TEA FOR TWO + YOU? SERIES

This series of Wimba sessions will introduce users to some specific features of the site that you might need help with. The sessions will be short (30 minutes max) and they are all listed in L2 starting with the first session on April 10. The sessions will be recorded and archived for additional viewing later.

April 10, 8:30 - 9:00, Posting a Document:

<http://www.librarylearning.info/events/?eventID=6146>

April 17, 8:30 - 9:00, Joining and Creating Groups:

<http://www.librarylearning.info/events/?eventID=6147>

April 24, 8:30 - 9:00, Registration and Social Networking:

<http://www.librarylearning.info/events/?eventID=6148>

May 1, 8:30 - 9:00, Enrolling In and Launching Courses:

<http://www.librarylearning.info/events/?eventID=6149>

LIBRARYU MAKES LIBRARY STAFF TRAINING EASY

TO MANAGE

WebJunction, the online learning community for librarians and library staff, is now offering a Custom Course Catalog, a new service that provides a central location to host, promote and track library staff training.

WebJunction's course catalog contains nearly 700 courses selected to help library staff build the skills required to meet the needs of rapidly changing libraries. In February, LibraryU courses joined the WebJunction catalog, bringing many topics relevant to today's library workforce: Web-based reference, marketing, library management, shelving, cataloging, readers advisory, children's services and many more. Visit www.webjunction.org/catalog and click on LibraryU for details on the courses and how to enroll.

SIUE LIS SPRING SYMPOSIUM ON GAMING, LEARNING, AND COMMUNITY

SIUE Library and Information Services will host their Annual Spring Symposium "Gaming, Learning, and Community; From Board Games to Fantasy Baseball" on Wednesday, April 29 from 1:30-4:00 p.m. in the Abbott Auditorium on the lower level of Lovejoy Library.

Speakers include: Scott Nicholson (Syracuse University), Paul Waelchli (St. Norbert College), and Lenore Horner (Southern Illinois University Edwardsville). The intersection between education and gaming will be the focus of the Symposium. The event is free, registration is not required, and refreshments will be served.

For more information contact Lovejoy Library at (618) 650-3050.

ST. LOUIS AREA FOLKLORE EXPLAINED

Dr. John Oldani has collected more than 100,000 items of folklore in the St. Louis area, from graffiti to jump-rope rhymes to folk foods (think toasted ravioli, gooey butter cake and concretes!). He's taken the best items and compiled them into his new book: *Passing it On: Folklore of St. Louis*.

On Thursday, April 23, 2009 from 7-8:00 p.m. in the Kinsella Room of the Fairview Heights Public Library, Oldani will talk about our area's own peculiar folklore.

Reservations are a must! Call (618)489-2070 or email: fha@lcls.org.

The Library is located at 10017 Bunkum Road in Fairview Heights.
Copies of Oldani's book will be available for sale and signing.

<http://stlouisfolklore.com>

INTERESTING LINKS

[Defense calls witnesses in library fraud case](#)

[School group considers resident's book-ban request](#)

[Bush library may be one of last housed in a building](#)

[The art on the library walls](#)

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[Six technologies soon to affect education](#)

[Should you worry about data rot?](#)

JOB POSTINGS

To view all of our job postings, please click [here](#).

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Wilmington Public Library District
Wilmington, IL
<http://www.lcls.org/news.aspx?id=807>

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Chicago, IL
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