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Kindle is now LIVE!

After months of work, Overdrive is now compatible with Kindle devices. The My Help!, FAQs and other help pages on the [ACLA/CLP OverDrive page](#) have been updated to reflect Kindle compatibility, but if you have additional questions, [Sarah Beasley](#) Coordinator, e-Resources Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, will try to help. You can reach her via email at beasleys@carnegielibrary.org or by phone at 412.921.2521.

2012 County Coordination Plan and Budget

The 2012 County Coordination Plan and Budget has been posted to the [District Services Web site](#). The State allocation to 2012 County Coordination Aid was reduced by \$40.97. Directors attending the LAC meeting on September 8 reached an agreement to continue to fund database purchases and also reserved a small amount of the allocation for Mobile Services.

The County Coordination Aid Plan does need to receive final approval from M. Clare Zales, Deputy Secretary for Commonwealth Libraries.

From Mary Frances Cooper, Deputy Director, CLP and District Administrator, Pittsburgh District Library Center, CLP

Voter Initiative Update -- Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

As you've requested, I am keeping you informed about the November 8 voter initiative. This summer, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh supporters officially launched *Our Library, Our Future*, a community-based voter initiative created to help secure the future of the Library.

The initiative asks voters to support a 0.25 mill special tax (equivalent of \$25 per year on \$100,000 of assessed value) to be allocated for the operation and maintenance of the Carnegie Library. More than 200 volunteers from around the city spent six weeks canvassing neighborhoods to collect nearly 11,000 notarized signatures - more than triple what was required to place the initiative on the November 8 ballot.

We are now getting out the vote. Between now and Election Day, *Our Library, Our Future* volunteers will be asking all likely voters to go to the polls and support Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh by voting yes for the measure. Through door-to-door efforts and canvassing, volunteers have so far collected 3700 pledge cards, which will be then be mailed back to voters as a reminder before the election. In the months ahead a number of different events, including house parties, a 50-mile bike ride to all CLP libraries and a 24-hour read aloud, will be held to convey the importance of libraries and the critical services they provide. To learn more about the *Our Library, Our Future* initiative please visit www.ourlibraryourfuture.org.

Continuing Education

Teaming Up With Teens @ Your Library

What is the absolute best avenue for getting teens involved and engaged at your school or public library? How can you encourage them to be peer reader advisors and library advocates in the community? Ultimately, if you want to encourage your teens to become lifelong readers, learners and library users/supporters-and possibly even choose library work for their future career path-there is no better way to go than offering opportunities for active and involved teen library participation. In this webinar, you will explore ways teens can take part in your library, such as advisory groups, volunteering, short-term projects that use teen's special skills and partnering with adults. You'll also get tips on planning, organizing, conducting and evaluating teen participation. When you team up with teens at your library, it's win-win!
WebJunction is pleased to host this



Web Resources

Titles formerly available as NetLibrary eBooks are now [eBooks on Ebscohost](#). Although we are having some technical difficulties related to the catalog records, customers can browse, download and transfer titles directly from the website. We anticipate that customers will soon have easy access to these materials directly from the site *and* the Catalog. For additional information please visit the support center that EbscoHost has created at <http://support.epnet.com/netlibrary/>.

Coming soon: OneClick, the place to find Recorded Books e-audio titles.

Shipping/ILL

webinar in collaboration with the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA).

Presented by: Kelly M Johnson, office manager & T.A.G. staff liaison, Ketchikan Public Library (AK); and Diane Tuccillo, teen services librarian, Poudre River Public Library District (CO), author of Library Teen Advisory Groups (Scarecrow, 2005) and Teen-Centered Library Service: Putting Youth Participation into Practice (Libraries Unlimited, 2010).

This WebJunction webinar will be held on **October 25 at 2 pm**. As a member of WebJunction you are offered ' [Early Registration](#).' These free webinars are later opened to everyone and have reached maximum attendance in the past. Register early if you are interested.

E-Readers

On **September 21**, the [Public Library Association](#) (PLA) will host a live, hour-long webinar, "Check out E-Readers! Sacramento Public Library Did It and You Can Too!" as part of PLA's "Public Libraries at Work" monthly webinar series. The webinar will help participants implement e-reader loan programs at their libraries. Panelists from SPL will share how they built the e-reader loan program from the ground up. Webinar participants will gain insight on the unique challenges of collection, copyright and CIPA, staff training, marketing and assessment, as well as receive tips to successfully implement a similar program at their libraries.

The cost to attend is \$28 (PLA Members), \$31.50 (ALA Members) and \$35 (Nonmembers). Groups of any size can

Shipping

As of August 31, 55,844 bins were handled (compared to last year's 55,346, up 498 bins!) by



the automated sorting system (AMH) at the Library Support Center. That is an increase of almost 25,000 items over last year. Of course, we still do a bit of manual sorting, but the AMH has made all the difference in turning around the backlog of past years.

We are pleased to announce that Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh is purchasing another sort section that will allow eight more libraries to be added to the first sort. This addition will increase our efficiency in sorting and in turnaround of items. The installation is not yet scheduled, but will occur sometime near year-end. More information will be forthcoming.

A draft ACLA LAC Labeling Checklist was presented at the September 8 meeting. The major recommendation on the checklist is to require barcodes for all types of items to be on the outside of materials. Having barcodes on the outside of items facilitates quicker handling of items at check-in, checkout, and in routing and sorting of materials. Thanks to everyone who has moved to the 'outside' barcode process!

ILL

The Interlibrary Loan Center statistics year-to-date indicate that 21,671 items were requested overall. Of that number 10,955 loans and 238 articles were supplied, with 973 items still in process. Borrowing statistics, those requests made on behalf of

register for \$129. The deadline to register is September 19. [Click here for more information and registration.](#)

Protecting Collections: Disaster Prevention, Planning & Response

Presented by the [Conservation Center for Art & Historic Artifacts](#), this two-day disaster planning workshop is offered at two locations, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. The Pittsburgh workshop will be held **October 12 and November 29**, co-sponsored and hosted by the [Senator John Heinz History Center](#). In Philadelphia it will be held on **October 18 and December 15** and is co-sponsored and hosted by the [National Museum of American Jewish History](#).

The two sessions are scheduled several weeks apart, in order to give attendees time to undertake several planning assignments. Participants will be asked to prepare a short assignment prior to the program and additional assignments between the sessions.

By the end of the second session, participants will:

- Develop and complete an emergency preparedness and response plan.
- Learn how to train staff to implement the plan effectively.
- Set pre- and post-disaster action priorities for collections.
- Learn how to use practical decision-making skills during an emergency or disaster.
- Have information on salvaging a variety of materials including books, documents, photos and objects.

Registration and additional information is

our customers, totaled 9,568. Of that number, 5,060 have been filled and 1,615 remain in process. This is slightly over a 50% fill rate which is par for ILL since many libraries charge and many items are not available for loan. However, ILL remains as a very viable option for customers who may not be able to find or obtain items locally.

Commonwealth Libraries ILL Guidelines and ILL Procedures Manual updating is almost complete. It is expected that the final documents will be available through Web Junction sometime in September. While it is geared for ILL practitioners, the documents may also be helpful for staff as they interact with customers who use interlibrary loan.



Teen Services

Featured Resource

by LeeAnn Anna

Well, this piece will wind up (no pun intended, keep reading - you'll get it) my coverage on YA Library and Librarian related blogs, with [Will Unwound](#). This isn't exactly a YA blog, per se, more of an all-around awesome librarianship blog. Whenever I've had a really tough day, and have begun to forget why I love my job (of course, this only happens once a year or so) I turn to Will for a library-related laugh. Will has thirty years of experience as a public librarian, and his post-retirement

available at [here](#).

The fees are \$125 for CCAHA members and \$150 for non-members.

The Conservation Center for Art & Historic Artifacts ([CCAHA](#)) is the country's largest nonprofit conservation facility serving cultural, research and educational institutions, as well as individuals and private organizations. CCAHA specializes in the treatment of works of art on paper, such as drawings, prints, maps, posters, historic wallpaper, photographs, rare books, scrapbooks and manuscripts, along with related materials like parchment and papyrus. CCAHA also offers digital imaging services, on-site consultations, educational programs, fellowships and emergency conservation services.

Recent Additions to the District Services Professional Collection.

[Click Here.](#)

library-related goals include "to spread good cheer to librarians everywhere and to spend at least 10 hours a week as a non-problem patron at the Livermore (CA) Library." Help him realize his goal, and check it out!

District Teen Services Meeting

Mark your calendars! The District Teen Services Meetings have been scheduled through the first quarter of next year. Meetings will be from 10 am - 12 pm on Friday mornings. Please RSVP, as soon as you are able! There will be breakfast and awesome librarians for you to chat with. Detailed agenda items will be released closer to each meeting date.

October 7, 2011 - Sewickley Public Library

December 2, 2011 - Pleasant Hills Public Library

March 2, 2012 - Cooper-Siegel Community Library

Collection Corner

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