

WVLC's BDG Collections now searchable online!

Great news! The WVLC Book Discussion Collection is now available online! To access these collections, go to [WVLC Home page](#), move to the **Collections** tab and click [Online Catalog](#). Under the [Search the online catalog](#), click on: [Basic Search](#). Place **WVLCBDG** in the Search box and in the **within box** pull down **Subject** and click on Search.

The 211 titles in the WVLC BDG Collection will be automatically shown in Title format. There is a Sort By option (author, title, publication date, publication date descending). Questions about and all Book Discussion Group **title requests** must be send to [Susan Hayden](#). Title requests cannot be made through the online catalog.

PROMOTIONS, NEW HIRES, ETC. AT WVLC

Angela Wolfe of WVLC's Special Services Division has been promoted to the position of Office Assistant III in Library Development—State Library Services. **Rebecca Rice**, former Office Assistant III in Library Development has been promoted to Administrative Support Associate I in the Office of the Secretary/Administrative Services Division. **Ira "Preston" Richardson** has been hired as Public Information Specialist in Library Development. He is a former web designer and technical writer, and most recently was employed with the West Virginia Medical Institute and as an adjunct faculty member at West Virginia State University. He will handle agency public relations and support libraries with marketing/media related tasks. WVLC will begin the search for replacements for Angela and Rebecca very soon.

TECHNOLOGY PETTING ZOO



Get hands on experience in helping your patrons with smart technology.

WVLC's Megan Tarbett will gladly bring the **Technology Petting Zoo** to your library. This "zoo" is a collection of smart technology tools (I-Pads, Kindles, Nooks, Tablets, etc.) for which patrons commonly ask librarians for help. Megan will explain the tools in the zoo to library staff and give them hands-on experience in using these tools, giving them tips on helping library users.



FROM THE SECRETARY...

Karen E. Goff, Secretary West Virginia Library Commission

Advocacy was a primary topic of discussion at the recent WVLA conference. As pre-conference speaker Veronda Pitchford pointed out, advocacy is more than one visit to a legislator, one conversation with a county commissioner, or attendance at one Library Legislative Day. Advocacy happens every day, in the library, in the grocery store, on the elevator. Advocacy involves everybody, from the staff member who greets people entering the library to the trustee who speaks at the library's budget hearing, to the child receiving her first library card.

From Awareness to Funding, a report released by OCLC in 2008, reported that "While the majority of residents of the United States have visited their public library and have used its services, most cannot describe how their library is funded." That statement articulates the reason advocacy is essential for successful libraries. We live in a complex and competitive society. More and more people are questioning the role of libraries. Those who believe in that role must work together to respond to those questions.

Most of the people in your communities are aware of traditional library services: books, newspapers and magazines, photocopiers, videos/DVDs, etc. Others know that that library provides public access computing and Internet access. However, only a few may realize how the library contributes to the civic life of the community by providing not only information resources but a forum where opinions are heard, everyone is welcome, and programs are offered that address early childhood literacy, financial management, computer skills, health care, and civic improvement.

The OCLC study discovered that passionate librarians are vital to library support. In my mind "passionate librarians" include not only the director but staff and trustees who are true advocates for lifelong learning for themselves and others, knowledgeable about library services and trends, and knowledgeable about the community.

WV HOUSE OF DELEGATES ANNOUNCES CPPG GRANTS TO LIBRARIES

CHARLESTON—The West Virginia House of Delegates has announced Community Participation Projects Grants (CPPG) for FY 2013, totaling \$288,750 to public libraries, including the following. If your library is listed, documentation from WVLC will be sent to you very soon. We congratulate the libraries receiving funds.

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| Belington Public Library | Clarksburg-Harrison County Public Library |
| Philippi Public Library | Southern Area Public Library |
| Martinsburg/Berkeley County Public Library | Shepherdstown Public Library |
| Burnsville Public Library | Kanawha County Public Library |
| Gassaway Public Library | Nitro Public Library |
| Sutton Public Library | Louis Bennett Public Library |
| Brooke County Public Library | Hamlin Lincoln County Public Library |
| Cabell County Public Library | Buffalo Creek Memorial Library |
| Calhoun County Public Library | Logan Area Public Library |
| Clay County Public Library | Marion County Public Libraries |
| Doddridge County Public Library | Marshall County Library System |
| Fayette County Public Library | McDowell County Public Library |
| Gilmer County Public Library | Princeton Public Library |
| Grant County Public Library | Keyser-Mineral County Public Library |
| Alderson Public Library | Piedmont Public Library |
| Rainelle Public Library | Kermit Public Library |
| Ronceverte Public Library | Mingo County Public Library |
| White Sulphur Springs Public Library | Morgantown Public Library |
| Capon Bridge Public Library | Monroe Co. Public Library |
| Hampshire County Public Library | Peterstown Public Library |
| Mary H. Weir Public Library | Morgan County Public Library |
| Swaney Memorial Library | Paw Paw Public Library |
| The Lynn Murray Memorial Library | Craigsville Public Library |

CPPG GRANTS, Continued

Richwood Public Library
Summersville Public Library
Ohio County Public Library
Pendleton County Library
Pleasants County Public Library
Pocahontas County Free Library
Kingwood Public Library
Terra Alta Public Library
Putnam County Public Library
Raleigh County Public Library
Elkins-Randolph County Public Library
Pioneer Memorial Library
Tygart Valley Community Library
Valley Head Public Library
Ritchie County Public Library
Summers County Public Library
Taylor County Public Library
Sistersville Public Library
Tyler County Public Library
Upshur County Public Library
Wayne Co. Public Library
Cowen Public Library
Webster-Addison Public Library
Hundred Public Library
Pine Grove Public Library
Dora B. Woodyard Memorial Library
Parkersburg & Wood Co. Public Library
Vienna Public Library

YALSA GRANTS

YALSA members are eligible to apply for the YALSA's Great Book Giveaway Competition. The winner's library will receive a collection of young adult books, movies, CDs and other materials. The deadline to apply is December 1, 2012. Visit the [website](#) for more details or contact YALSA: 1-800-545-2433, ext. 4387, or via e-mail at YALSA@ala.org.

EBSCO RECOGNIZES SMALL LIBRARIES

Do you know of a rural library that offers excellence of service to its community with standout programming? Nominate them for the **EBSCO Excellence in Small and/or Rural Public Library Service Award!** The nominee must service a population of 10,000 or less. The winner will receive a \$1,000 honorarium. The deadline is **December 1, 2012**. Visit this [website](#) for more details and to submit a nomination.

LIBRARIANS MEET IN PANHANDLE



WVLC Secretary Karen Goff is pictured speaking to library directors from the Eastern Panhandle at the Capon Bridge Public Library on November 8th. Goff and Library Development Director John Paul Myrick discussed organizing the Eastern Library Network (ELN) and addressed consortia issues.

Winter 2013 ALSC online courses open for registration

[Registration](#) is now open for the Association for Library Service to Children's (ALSC) winter 2013 online courses. Classes begin Monday, Jan. 14, 2013, and ALSC members receive a discounted registration rate. Registrants will find that ALSC has increased the number of courses offering certified education units (CEUs). The American Library Association (ALA) has been certified to provide CEUs by the International Association of Continuing Education and Training (IACET).

ALSC online courses are designed to fit the needs of working professionals. Courses are taught by experienced librarians and academics. As participants frequently noted in post-course surveys, ALSC stresses quality and caring in its online education options. Courses include:

The Caldecott Medal: Understanding Distinguished Art in Picture Books
Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Programs Made Easy
ALSC Core Competencies: Serving Children with Distinction and Commitment (
Information Literacy - From Preschool to High School
Series Programming for the Elementary School Age .

Detailed descriptions and registration information is available on the [ALSC website](#) at . Fees are \$115 for personal ALSC members; \$165 for personal ALA members; and \$185 for non-members. Questions? Please contact ALSC Program Officer Jenny Najduch at jnajduch@ala.org or 1-800-545-2433 ext. 4026.

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NEW FEATURE TO e-WV

A new feature of [e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia](#) provides teachers with innovative ways to use the powerful online resource. The e-WV Classroom includes 18 lesson plans for eighth grade that were developed by teachers from several counties, working under the direction of curriculum specialist Margaret Miller. The plans address a variety of topics, such as statehood, the Civil War, and the Great Depression, and include guiding questions, vocabulary, and lesson activities. All of the lesson plans meet the West Virginia Department of Education's standards for social studies and literacy.

The Classroom section will also be helpful to students who want to learn more about West Virginia. Students will find links to e-WV articles on such topics as the state seal and state animals and plants. They also find easy access to the e-WV quizzes, especially helpful in preparation for the annual Golden Horseshoe test.

Visitors to the Classroom section will find directions for using e-WV's special features, including interactive maps and the portfolio function. Visit the Classroom by clicking [here](#). Contact Becky Calwell at 304-346-8500 or calwell@wvhumanities.org if you would like a demonstration of how e-WV can be used in the classroom or library.

NEW TRAINING FROM ALA EDITIONS

[Collaborating with Teens to Build Better Library Programs](#)

A 2-part workshop with Jennifer Velásquez

Part 1: Wednesday, December 05, 2012

Part 2: Wednesday, December 12, 2012

2:30pm Eastern | 1:30 Central | 12:30 Mountain | 11:30am Pacific

Teens want a place that welcomes them, a role in decision-making, a place to congregate, socialize, and communicate with adults who care about them. Velásquez offers practical strategies for collaborating with youth on collections and services.

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