Digital Library Advisory Group  
Monday, October 18th, 1:00PM

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**Attendance:**

1. Erika Jenns, STLS
2. Heidi Eckerson, FLLS
3. Linda Reimer, SSCL
4. Lorie Brown, STLS
5. Kelly Povero, Watkins
6. Roberta Beckhorn, Hector
7. Brian Hildreth, STLS
8. Jennie Lewis, CCLD
9. Belinda Thompson, Scio
10. Ken Reichman, Wellsville

**Agenda:**

1. OverDrive Libby Workshop
2. OverDrive Reciprocal Lending Arrangement
3. Update to NovelNY databases
4. Amazon deal with DPLA
5. Upcoming Trainings Reminder
6. Wordpress Widgets Plugin
Minutes:

1. OverDrive Libby Workshop
   i. **How to Train Your Community on Libby - October 20th, 2021 - 2:00 PM**
      This conflicts with the Gather & Grow event, but please register anyway! You’ll receive a link to the recording and a packet of Libby materials in the mail.
      Join OverDrive experts to get the tools and guidance to confidently lead your own *Getting Started with Libby* session.
      In this one-hour session, you’ll learn how to:
      • Prepare for a basic Libby training - virtually or in-person
      • Deliver a demonstration in our suggested order
      • Implement polls and quizzes to engage users
      • Promote the event to maximize attendance
      At the end of this session, OverDrive experts will provide you with a complimentary training kit, jam packed with everything you need to train your users. You don’t want to miss this!
      Register:
      [https://click.e.overdrive.com/?qs=e0cdd1fcfada6e2d00a11582fdbcc9ed79087d3273c20efa8ad7ff3f70464bffd872386273c249e563c9ae d2c48f6baa3359e79136eab0e2](https://click.e.overdrive.com/?qs=e0cdd1fcfada6e2d00a11582fdbcc9ed79087d3273c20efa8ad7ff3f70464bffd872386273c249e563c9ae d2c48f6baa3359e79136eab0e2)

2. OverDrive Reciprocal Lending Arrangement
   1. STLS staff are meeting with consultants from Finger Lakes Library System and Pioneer Library System on Tuesday, October 19
   2. **What is the Reciprocal Lending Arrangement (RLA)?**
      • RLA allows our digital collections - through OverDrive - to mirror physical item Inter-Library Loan.
      • Patrons from partner systems can access the STLS collection and check out items, and STLS patrons can access partner system collections to check out items.
      • We can set limits like:
         1. Only STLS patrons can put holds on STLS-owned titles, or we could allow anyone to place holds, or bump visitor holds down to lower priority - filled after STLS patrons
         2. We can turn on or off the Recommend to Library feature for visitors
         3. We can limit visitor use of pay per use content like metered access, CPC, etc.
• Visitors to a collection only see content they are allowed to access, everything else will be hidden.
• On the backend, we can track home vs visiting activity.
• However, libraries cannot report on their patrons’ activity at other digital collections. To see their patrons’ activities at other RLA libraries, partners can manually share reporting data with each other.
• Two common questions:
  • Is there a way to search across all collections participating in RLA simultaneously?
    1. No, not at this time. This may be accomplished through Libby’s search continuation in the future.
  • If a user’s barcode is merged using the Merge user IDs tool in Marketplace, does that change get carried over to the other digital collections the user has access to via RLA?
    1. No. A user’s barcode would need to be merged separately for each digital collection they have access to via RLA.
3. Let’s look at how our collections compare:
3. Updates to NovelNY databases
   1. NOVELny is getting a new look which includes a new logo and a new website.
   2. The newly redesigned [www.novelnewyork.org](http://www.novelnewyork.org) site will be solely for access to the databases.
   3. All information about the NOVELny program, including the fact sheet, toolkit with logo style guidelines, Help Desk and registration information, and more will be on the State Library’s Division of Library Development page at [https://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/novelny/](https://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/novelny/).
   4. There will also be a slight change in the NYS Newspapers database. It will be renamed The New York Times and it will only include that publication with both indexing and full text from January 1985 to the present. There will be no change in the Gale OneFile: News database. Any newspapers included in the current NYS Newspapers database will continue to be available in Gale OneFile: News.
   5. All database URLs will remain the same. Links to pages on the current NOVELny page will need to be updated.
   6. If you have any questions about the changes please email the NOVELny Help Desk at NYSLNOVEL@nysed.gov.
4. Amazon deal with DPLA
   1. The Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) has signed an agreement with Amazon Publishing to make 10,000 ebooks and audiobooks available to US libraries and their patrons. This was announced May 18 and marks the first time Amazon Publishing content will be made available to libraries. Titles can be licensed this summer through the DPLA Exchange via four lending models. Patrons can access the books through SimplyE, the open source e-reader app developed by New York Public Library.
   2. STLS is investigating the possibility of adding access to Amazon titles through The Palace Project (from DPLA and LYRASIS).
   4. Read more about The Palace Project: https://thepalaceproject.org/

5. Upcoming Trainings from STLS
   1. Gather & Grow – Two day event this Wednesday and Thursday (10/20 and 10/21)
      • Haven’t signed up? Let me know now, and I will register you!
   2. WordPress Workshop with Erika - Friday, November 12, 2021, 10:00am - 11:00am
      • Link to register: https://stls.libcal.com/event/8330781
   3. Other upcoming trainings include:
      • Talk Saves Lives Workshop: An Introduction to Suicide Prevention (11/2 at 1pm): https://stls.libcal.com/event/8351436
      • Tech Topics with Tom: Office 365 Basics (after the DAC meeting on 11/17): https://stls.libcal.com/event/8163844
      • Trustee Handbook Book Club (11/16 at 5pm): https://stls.libcal.com/event/8358862
      • See all upcoming events here: https://stls.libcal.com/

6. WordPress Widgets Plugin
   1. Have you been struggling to update your WordPress widgets lately? Maybe you’ve been getting a JSON error or can’t update the widget sidebar at all?
2. Please install the Classic Widgets plugin: https://wordpress.org/plugins/classic-widgets/

3. This plugin will revert your site to the old widgets editor until WordPress has time to work out the bugs in the new widgets editor.