Digital Library Advisory Group Meeting
October 19th, 2020

Attendees:
Linda Reimer, SSCL
Tracy Savard, Watkins
Kelly Povero, Montour
Melanie Miller, Alfred
Connie Ogilvie, CCLD
Karen Smith, Whitesville
Lyndsie Guy, STLS
Erika Jenns, STLS
Ken Reichman, Wellsville
Angela Gonzalez, PYPL
Brian Hildreth, STLS

Libby - New Features:
Sharing titles: Users can now share titles on social media or directly with friends, using the Share button found on a title’s Reading Journey and details screen. A shared title page shows the book’s summary, basic details, and nearby libraries that offer the title through Libby. This new option encourages users to socialize their favorite reads with family, friends, and followers while spreading awareness of your library’s digital collection.

Exporting reading data: Users can also export their reading data, including:
• Titles in a specific tag
• Their activity timeline
• A title’s Reading Journey, which includes bookmarks, notes, and highlights

Gale’s Open Web Initiative and NOVELNY Access:
The New York State Library is partnering with Gale on their Open Web Initiative to make some of the NOVELNY resources more discoverable and accessible. Specifically, the Open Web Initiative will include the following three NOVELNY products: Gale Academic OneFile, Gale OneFile: Health and Medicine, and Gale In Context: Opposing Viewpoints. The Gale Open Web Initiative supplements existing access paths and provides access for those who are not searching through their local library.
Research and analytics reveal that most people begin their research journeys on Google, and may therefore never intersect with their library web site. Gale’s Open Web Initiative extends Gale’s geo-authentication service to open web users to reach users in New York who likely would not have found NOVELNY’s statewide library resources otherwise.

Once access is enabled later this week, when open web users in New York State find select Gale resources provided through NOVELNY they will be granted product access without further prompt for authentication. This may occur via Google and Google Scholar search results or links into select Gale Open Access social issue topics on gale.com. When these open web users are authenticated based on their geo location, their usage will be attributed to NOVELNY’s top-level consortia location ID.

The geo-authentication links that are currently available to library systems, member libraries and their end users are still available, still work, and should still be used on library web sites, portal pages, and the like. Usage enabled through these links will continue to be attributed to the library system or member library location ID expressed in the links.

Gale Webinars:

- Tuesday, October 20, 2020, 3:00 PM, 45 mins.
  For NOVELNY: Create Online Student Connections with Your NOVELNY/Gale Resources
  Register: https://cengage.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Az_1gGWzT5mYccAxoh_geA

- Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 2:00 PM, 30 mins.
  Build Better Mental Wellness with Gale Health and Wellness
  Register: https://cengage.zoom.us/webinar/register/2116004568044/WN_L7BS1Oo4QWWy-IwTlysCNq

- Thursday, October 22, 2020, 1:00 PM, 30 mins.
  Develop Your Library Web Page to Support Online Research with Gale, for Public Libraries
  Register: https://cengage.zoom.us/webinar/register/6516004569234/WN_cVt9YvgrQKSvudNKNur0YA

- Wednesday, October 28, 2020, 2:00 PM, 45 mins.
  Using Gale In Context Resources to Support Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
SORA & OverDrive - Linked through Public Library Connect:
How will we count stats attributed to schools that are served by more than one library? - **DLAG recommendation to DAC is to split stats even amongst libraries that all serve the same school population.**

- Public Library Connect
  - An OverDrive feature that links Sora to the library’s OD collection and empowers students to borrow age-appropriate ebooks and audiobooks from both their school AND from their local public library digital collections.
- How PLC works:
  - Students add their local public library in the Sora app.
  - They’re presented with all the age-appropriate titles available to them in the library’s OverDrive collection.
  - Students borrow titles using existing school credentials.
- This is a great opportunity for partnership with your local schools!
- Learn more about the Sora app for students, here: [https://company.overdrive.com/k-12-schools/discover-sora/](https://company.overdrive.com/k-12-schools/discover-sora/)

To help your patrons add our OverDrive collection to their Sora app, watch this video: [https://resources.overdrive.com/adding-a-public-library/](https://resources.overdrive.com/adding-a-public-library/)

**The following schools are able to connect with STLS today:**
Greater Southern Tier BOCES
Addison Central School District
Alfred-Almond Central School District1
Arkport Central School
Avoca Central School
Bath Central School District
Bradford Central School District
Campbell-Savona School District
Canaseraga Central School District
Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District
Corning City School District
Elmira City School District
Elmira Hgts Central School
Hammondsport Ctl School District
Hornell City School District
Horseheads Central School District
Jasper-Troupsburg School District
Odessa Montour Central School District
Prattsburgh Central School
Spencer-Van Etten Central School District
Watkins Glen Central School District
Wayland-Cohocton Central School District
All Saints Academy

**Outstanding schools from your approved list that we still need confirmation from:**

Wayne-Finger Lakes Boces
  Dundee Central School District
  Penn Yan Central School District
Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming Boces
  Whitesville Central School District
Belfast Central School District
Friendship Central School District
Genesee Valley Central School District
Fillmore Central School
Bolivar-Richburg Central School District
Cuba- Rushford School District
Wellsville Central School District
Andover Central School District
Scio Central School District
RBdigital/OverDrive Merger:
On June 23, 2020, OverDrive announced that it would be acquiring the assets of RBmedia’s library business, including the RBdigital platform. The acquisition of RBdigital will bring enhanced content and features to the OverDrive platform, enabling it to better serve the needs of libraries around the world, including access to new release Recorded Books audiobooks. Moreover, OverDrive will be exploring the addition of popular RBdigital services, like digital magazines from ZINIO, to the OverDrive platform.

How will this affect library patrons?
- Library patrons will have access to even more great ebook and audiobook content through Overdrive and the Libby app!
- After the migration of ebook and audiobook titles from RBdigital to OverDrive is complete on 10/26/2020, your patrons will find more than 250 additional classics titles, like works by Lewis Carroll, Emily Brontë, Jack London, and more, in the STLS OverDrive collection.

STLS has been publishing social media posts about ebook and audiobook migration to help get the word out about this change. You can share these posts to your library pages.

- What is the plan for RBdigital magazines (Zinio)?
  - OverDrive is working to integrate ZINIO. They will provide updates when details are available. In the meantime, users can continue to use RBdigital to access ZINIO.
- What will happen to downloaded or saved content on the RBdigital app?
  - Once the complete migration happens, users will no longer be able to access anything in the RBdigital app.
- When will access to content through the RBdigital website/app officially stop?
  - Ebooks, audiobooks, and magazines have a dead stop date of 12/31/2020 on the RBdigital platform. Access to those formats on the RBdigital app and website will be removed then. These will all be migrated to OverDrive before then.

Find FAQs here: https://resources.overdrive.com/rbdigital-acquisition-faqs/.