MULTITYPE LIBRARY BOARD NEWS
The Board held a meeting on October 17, 2016 to review the role of board members and ongoing programs. This discussion will continue at the next meeting.

UPCOMING WEBINARS

eLibrary Canada
eLibrary Canada is a general reference database for Canadian K-12 schools and public libraries. The database is a combination of full text and multimedia content with user-friendly search options.

November 16, 2016 at 1:30pm
November 17, 2016 at 3:45pm

Novelist Plus
The Novelist Plus database lets users find and compare fiction and non-fiction books. It has reviews, read-alikes, Lexile scores and booktalks. This is an excellent readers’ advisory tool.

December 14, 2016 at 1:30pm
December 15, 2016 at 3:45pm

Would you like to present a webinar on an MDLP database? Contact regan.gunningham@gov.sk.ca

Locate previous webinar recordings in the Library Toolshed.

LIBRARY TOOLSHED
The Library Toolshed is a repository of library training, programming and promotion resources developed by British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan libraries. https://librarytoolshed.ca/

Sector Highlights

ABORIGINAL LIBRARIES
The Library Services for Saskatchewan Aboriginal Peoples (LSSAP) held their Annual General Meeting on September 19, 2016.

The next meeting will take place in Saskatoon on November 25, 2016.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES
The Consortium of Academic and Special Libraries of Saskatchewan (CASLS) is in the process of implementing Alma and Primo by Ex Libris. The project kicked off in August and will continue until the projected go live date in May 2017. CASLS libraries will each have their own database in Alma.

Libraries that are a part of the new CASLS consortium are: University of Regina Library, Saskatchewan Polytechnic, Gabriel Dumont Institute Library, Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region, Law Society of Saskatchewan Library, R.C.M.P. Depot Resource Centre and the Legislative Library.
SCHOOL LIBRARIES
School libraries continue to support the implementation of *SaskReads: A companion document to the Saskatchewan English Language Arts curriculum* (2015).

The document underscores the importance of school libraries in supporting and engaging students as readers. *SaskReads* recommends that Saskatchewan classrooms develop classroom libraries for increased student access to texts.

Gaétan Hammond has assumed the position of President Elect for the Saskatchewan School Library Association.

POST-SECONDARY LIBRARIES
Saskatchewan Polytechnic Library celebrated Science Literacy Week (September 19-23). Events included TED Talks screenings, 3D printer demonstrations and a session on immersive technologies.

At the University of Saskatchewan, the University Archives and Special Collections featured the work of Saskatchewan artist Robert Newton Hurley in an August-October exhibit. While Hurley is known for his colourful landscapes, this exhibit focused on lesser known works.

The University of Regina Library is hosting the Second Annual Author Recognition reception November 4, 2016. This event is “designed to celebrate and honour the contributions to authorship made by University of Regina faculty, staff, students, alumni and retirees.”

The University of Regina Students’ Union partnered with the University of Regina Library to launch the *Textbooks for All* pilot early in the fall semester. Textbooks over $100 have been purchased, with additional copies for large classes. These books are available for use through the Dr. John Archer Library.

ARCHIVES
The Saskatchewan Council for Archives and Archivists (SCAA) awarded its 2016/17 institutional grants. Thirteen archival institutions in Biggar, Swift Current, North Battleford, Humboldt, Shaunavon, Yorkton, Saskatoon and Regina will undertake projects. This $50,000 grant program is funded by Saskatchewan Lotteries through SaskCulture.

Société historique de la Saskatchewan is this year’s sole Saskatchewan recipient of a Library and Archives Canada grant from the Documentary Heritage Communities Program (DHCP). Dubbed “Building Archival Foundations and Practices”, the project will include an inventory of francophone materials in Saskatchewan archives.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND TRAINING
Proposal submission deadline for EBLIP9 is November 15, 2016. The conference is June 18-21, 2017 in Philadelphia.

OLA Super Conference 2017 will take place February 1-4, 2017.

Access 2017 will be held in Saskatoon fall 2017. Access is Canada’s premier library technology conference bringing library staff, developers and programmers together to discuss cutting-edge library technologies.

Information on MLB is available at http://sils.sk.ca.campusguides.com/MLB/

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