Show Me Express features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

**Announcing LSTA Grant Clips**

The Missouri State Library has collaborated with outstanding Library Services and Technology Act grant recipients, Cape Girardeau Public Library (Renee Jackson), Nevada Public Library (Jodi Polk), and Saint Louis County Library (Dan Gibbons and Stacey Lewis), to create a collection of short videos highlighting a selection of successful LSTA grant projects. The Grant Clips are available for viewing at watch.more.net. The first class of Grant Clips features two Library Service Improvement grant projects and two Spotlight on Literacy grant projects, covering a range of topics including services to patrons with special needs, teen makerspaces, diversity training and cultural literacy. The videos provide an overview of the grant projects, discussion of successes and challenges, and provide the viewer with need-to-know information for implementing a similar project. Libraries interested in sharing their own LSTA grant story should contact Lisa Stock, Adult Services Consultant, at lisa.stock@sos.mo.gov or (573) 526-1087.

**Missouri Library Snapshot Day**

The Missouri Library Association (MLA) is sponsoring a Library Snapshot Day on Jan. 24, 2018. This day is set aside to show how libraries of all types across Missouri assist individuals in meeting their educational, professional and personal goals. Using social media, this effort will help people learn how 21st century libraries are critical community anchors. Participating is simple, take a snapshot of activities taking place in the library and then post them with a
comment to the library’s social media page on Jan. 24. Make sure to tag posts with #MOLibraries so MLA can add the story to Missouri’s Library Snapshot Day website.

Morgan County Library is Profiled on Edge Website

More congratulations are in order. Stacey Embry and the Morgan County Library are profiled on the National Edge website. Morgan County is a rural library that serves a population of just over 19,000 people with five staff members. Stacey became director of the library in 2016. As a beginning director, completing the Edge assessment helped her clearly recognize priorities and goals for the library. One goal that she recognized was the need to promote digital literacy.

While participating in the Edge program, Morgan County Library was awarded a $15,014 Technology Mini-Grant from the Missouri State Library. The grant helped the library purchase two early literacy stations, replace staff computers, upgrade office software, add photo-editing software, and introduce a portable training lab to its community. Morgan County made a powerful case for the need for this technology in their grant application by referencing how the library was doing in comparison to its peers and how the library measured against Edge’s 11 Technology Benchmarks. The new technology allows the library to improve digital literacy by offering computer classes that cover a range of topics including online job searching, resume creation, email and social media. The library increased its partnership with local government to promote the library’s services and offerings.

A second round of the Edge program began in October. The new cohort members are Albany Carnegie Public Library, Sikeston Public Library, Caruthersville Public Library, De Soto Public Library, Montgomery City Public Library, Little Dixie Regional Libraries, Mexico-Audrain Public Library, Pulaski County Library and Daviess County Library. The cohort will complete the first round of the Edge program, the Edge Assessment, by Jan. 26, 2018. If you are interested in learning more about the Edge program, please contact Jennifer Thompson at jennifer.thompson@sos.mo.gov.
New Books From The Missouri State Library

The Makerspace Librarian’s Sourcebook edited by Ellyssa Kroski
The Librarian’s Introduction to Programming Languages edited by Beth Thomsett-Scott
Developing Librarian Competencies for the Digital Age edited by Jeffery G. Coghill and Roger G. Russell
The Collection All Around: sharing our cities, towns, and natural places by Jeffrey T. Davis
Shared Collections: collaborative stewardship edited by Dawn Hale
Collaborating for Impact: special collections and liaison librarian partnerships edited by Kristen Tolteben and Lori Birrell
The Special Collections Handbook, second edition by Alison Cullingford
The New Instruction Librarian: workbook for trainers and learners by Candice Benjes-Small and Rebecca K. Miller
The No-Nonsense Guide to Project Management by Barbara Allen
Renew Yourself: a six-step plan for more meaningful work by Catherine Hakala-Ausperk
Becoming a Powerhouse Librarian: how to get things done right the first time by Jamie M. Gray
Six Issues Facing Libraries Today: critical perspectives by John M. Budd
Career Transitions for Librarians: proven strategies for moving to another type of library edited by Davis Erin Anderson and Raymond Pun

We are pleased to offer direct borrowing from the Missouri State Library (MOSL) to Missouri public library directors and branch managers for continuing education and professional development. Directors and branch managers are encouraged to borrow items for use by any of their library’s staff with this card.

To get a MOSL library card, visit http://mostate.libguides.com/reference/card and submit an application. Under the application, you will find a helpful guide for requesting books. For assistance in obtaining a card, replacing a card or for additional information, contact the Missouri State Library Reference Services Division at (573) 751-3615 or libref@sos.mo.gov.
Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities from the State Library

Adult Summer Reading Programs webinar on Thursday, Jan. 18, from 10-11 a.m.
This webinar will provide staff in public libraries of all types, sizes and budgets with a variety of ideas and tips for creating, planning, and implementing a successful adult summer reading program for summer of 2018. The program will include tips for successful outreach and marketing strategies in correlation to the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) 2018 theme of music, with a slogan of “Libraries Rock!”. Registration is online at Adult Summer Reading Programs. This webinar will be archived for those unable to attend. Direct questions about the webinar to Lisa Stock at lisa.stock@sos.mo.gov.

Goodreads: Effective Use for Libraries webinar on Wednesday, Feb. 7, from 10-11 a.m.
David Lee King will present on how libraries can use Goodreads to connect with their readers. Goodreads is one of the leading social media tools devoted to books and book reviews. Users can keep a list of books they have read, and they can share that list with other Goodreads users. It is a great way for people to find out what other people are reading. Registration is online at Goodreads: Effective Use for Libraries. This webinar will be archived for those unable to attend. Direct questions about the webinar to Jennifer Thompson at jennifer.thompson@sos.mo.gov.

Homeless Patrons and the Public Library webinar on Thursday, Feb. 22, from 10-11 a.m.
Sometimes public libraries struggle with homeless patrons. This practical webinar will teach participants how to engage problematic homeless patrons with confidence and compassion. The presenter, Ryan Dowd, has spent his career running a large homeless shelter outside of Chicago and is the author of the ALA book, The Librarian’s Guide to Homelessness. Registration is online at Homeless Patrons and the Public Library. This webinar will be archived for those unable to attend. Direct questions about the webinar to Lisa Stock at lisa.stock@sos.mo.gov.

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