YOUTH SERVICES

New Youth Services Consultant: An offer has been made and accepted but we aren't yet allowed to announce the successful candidate.

eBooks for Children and Youth RFP: proposals are being evaluated by the review panel, who are scheduled to meet on May 2nd to compare notes. We expect to award the contract soon thereafter and hope to have something in place by June 1st. ***Please note that the Tumblebooks for Teens contract runs out on April 30.***

Bookpoints: yes, it is in play. Fewer restrictions, better back end, no intermediary. If you are not yet signed up and want to be, please contact Nan asap.

CONTINUING EDUCATION, CINDY CHURCH

eRate Central Support: full service consulting from eRate Central's Melissa Zaruba remains available. If your library would like this support, it costs 7-8% of your eRate funds. This program is optional but does require that level of funding to participate. Watch for an email from Cindy in May to participate/continue.

Anytime Learning:
- PCI Webinars (http://pciwebinars.com) provide a team of experts in training, organizational development and continuing education focus on providing learning-based solutions for library organizations of all types and sizes. To request access to any of these webinars complete the course access request form: (http://www.jotform.us/form/50955278341157)

You can select up to two recordings/live webinar per month. *After watching the webinar, you will be asked to complete a follow-up survey (within three months) telling how you are going to use the information gained.*

- WebJunction provides a robust catalog of asynchronous courses, supported by LVA LDND contribution and there is no limit to amount accessed. https://www.webjunction.org/

Staff Training:
The following topics as well as planning support are available by Cindy Church for your staff day training:

- Customer Service
- Copyright
- What's New at LVA?

Additional available topics that sound stuffy, but will be fun and engaging, we promise:
- FOIA, Kim Armentrout
- Organizational Culture, Nan Carmack
- Outcome Based Evaluation, Nan Carmack
- Change Management, Nan Carmack

2018 PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR MEETING

Wednesday, September 26th at the Williamsburg Lodge. This is the day before the 2018 Virginia Library Association Conference.

Keynote: Miguel Figueroa (Center for the Future of Libraries, American Library Association) will speak about **Thinking About the Future: Trends, Signals, and Values for the Library of the Future**. Foresight and futuring begin with the study of change– identifying trends happening in our local or global environment, considering how they might impact our work, and making incremental adjustments to follow those trends to the best benefit of the library and community. Figueroa will expand on this topic in accordance with the trends-based work of ALA's Center for the Future of Libraries in his interactive session.

Panel Q&A: Being a Good Local Government Partner: representatives from the Virginia Association of Counties and the Virginia Municipal League will talk briefly about being good government partners; what county admins/city managers wish you knew; and field questions. Come prepared to get the most out of this practical but rare opportunity to hone your local governance acumen.

TECHNOLOGY, ROSE SCHOOFF

Evergreen:
- Thanks to those who have been through the Evergreen upgrade
- Thinking about moving to Evergreen? Contact Rose ASAP.
- Webinar Evergreen training will be available AFTER the face to face conference in Richmond at the end of April.

Digital Content:
- *Yearbooks:* Whether you have sent some or not, you can continue to participate—add some, begin a project, no problem
- *Locally scanned collections (yearbooks and other content):* we will be working with existing collections by uploading to Omeka (a digital curation site) and providing transcription services through *From the Page.* Examples include Campbell County's Willie Hodges Booth Museum project and Portsmouth's Stonewall Jackson collection.
- *Digital Curation:* contact Rose for assistance in setting up Internet Archive or Omeka and keep an eye out for a possible new state based curation/discovery service.

Wordpress: if you'd like to switch to the LSTA funded, LVA hosted web platform, Rose can set you up! Find out how easy it is to manage from any of your peers!

Boopsie: we will be saying good-bye to the Boopsie app in September. Check out the mobility of your website with your vendor and/or check with your ILS, which may have its own app. Questions? Rose can steer you in the right direction.

InfoCenter: We will be pleased to introduce you to the new "Extranet," dubbed the InfoCenter. You will learn more live on Friday, April 20. If you find broken links or have suggestions, please forward them to Rose or use the comments field on the home page.

Trustee Training eLearning Modules in light of the important role of Library Trustees, LVA provides eLearning opportunities that are self-paced and asynchronous and are

- designed to give boards of trustees concise information in their various areas of responsibility.
- serve as a resource and guide to helping all trustees carry out their duties responsibly .
- accessed here: http://lva.learnpointlms.com/ .

For questions related to the Trustee E-Modules, please contact Kim Armentrout at (804) 692-3601 or at kim.armentrout@lva.virginia.gov. *In-person Board training is also available upon request*.

 State Aid: The *Instructions For the Expenditure of State Aid Grants* currently are being revised. A big thank-you to Sonia Alcantara-Antoine, Peggy Martin, Eva Poole, and Brian Manning for their assistance in this process!

Bibliostat Added Capacity: Search capacity for the public library data collected in Bibliostat Collect will be made available this fall through Bibliostat Connect, a powerful web-based software program that allows easy access and manipulation of Virginia's public library data, as well as national data from PLDS, PLS, the LJ Index of Public Library Service and U.S. Census Bureau.

Bibliostat Connect will enable quick creation of visual data representation (graphs, tables, etc) for advocacy and information purposes. Nelson Worley and Kim Armentrout will provide access and training shortly before launching Connect.

LDND LEADERSHIP, NAN CARMACK

LDND was established (with various name changes) in the 1930s, charged with supporting the work of public libraries and administering the state aid program (responsibilities that are placed in the Library and the Library Board in the Code). This division of the Library of Virginia continues to serves public library staff and the citizens of Virginia through the stewardship of funds made available from the Library Science and Technology Act, administered through the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Every project, every dollar, is spent towards the objectives set out by LSTA—providing the why and the how behind LDND's what. I invite you to explore the projects as posted on the InfoCenter.

In light of those projects, feedback and commentary is encouraged as LDND develops aspirational principles, grand desires, and long vision for the good of the Commonwealth. If I haven't already, I'll be in touch. *~nbc*

P.S.: Find It Virginia work continues-LDND will keep you posted!