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Connecting Libraries in Southwestern Minnesota



ELM Continues!



Minitex Electronic Information Resources Task Force has announced the results of the three state Request for Proposal issued in 2008-2009.

These resources will be available in Minnesota beginning July 1, 2009 Through June 30, 2012.

EBSCO
Gale Group
ProQuest
OCLC FirstSearch
Encyclopaedia Britannica

A full list of the resources is available in an announcement on the ELM Blog:

http://blog.lib.umn.edu/minitex/elm/2009/06/new_elm_databases_announced.html

Additional information will follow over the next few weeks as we work with the vendors to set up links and so on. We un-

derstand the work and time these changes may take to implement in your libraries and schools and will provide needed information as quickly as possible.

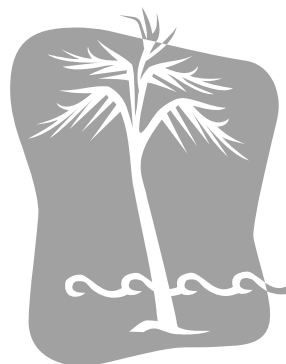
The Minitex CPERS staff, Rita Baladad, Tim Peters, and Anne Hatinen, and the vendors' sales teams will work closely with you as some of you transition between vendor products. If you are a current subscriber to any of these resources, they will work with you to prorate your subscriptions and credit your accounts. Similarly, the Minitex Reference Services staff, Jennifer Hootman, Matt Lee, Carla Steinberg Pfahl, and Beth Staats, and vendors' staff will work to provide training for you and your colleagues on the resources we license.

On behalf of Minitex and

the libraries and school media centers in Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota, thank you to the MEIR Task Force members and their institutions for participating in the RFP process. Their dedication and commitment to the process and their expertise in writing and evaluating the RFP responses were awesome! (Please see the MEIR Task Force website for a list of the members:

<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/committees/meir/>

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CREW: A Weeding Manual for Modern Libraries



editions of standard works, contemporary selections, and expanded online resources.

[http://
www.tsl.state.tx.us/
ld/pubs/crew/index.html](http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/pubs/crew/index.html)

This is an exemplary tool to help all types of libraries weed their collections. The Texas Library and Archives Commission has generously put it online under a [Creative Commons License](#) for you to use!

For more than 30 years, The CREW Method has provided guidance to librarians and staff in small and medium sized public libraries about how to cull outdated and no longer useful materials from their collections. Since its inception in 1976, The CREW Method has become the benchmark tool for weeding library collections. It has been more than a decade since the first revised edition brought technology and online catalogs into the process. This new edition, called CREW: A Weeding Manual for Modern Libraries, builds on the work of Joseph P. Segal and Belinda Boon. Although much of the basic information remains the same, the impact of changes in technology and its effect on library collections has been taken into consideration. The CREW guidelines by Dewey Class have been expanded even further and updated to reflect current practices. New sections have been added that explain in more detail the MUSTIE factors and types of disposal. The bibliography has been updated to include current

AwesomeStories

AwesomeStories is a gathering place of primary-source information. Its purpose - since the site was first launched in 1999 - is to help educators and individuals find original sources, located at national archives, libraries, universities, museums, historical societies and government-created web sites.

AwesomeStories is about primary sources. The stories exist as a way to place original materials in context and to hold those links together in an interesting, cohesive way (thereby encouraging people to look at them). It is a totally different kind of web site in that its purpose is to place primary sources at the forefront - not the opinions of a writer. Its objective is to take the site's users to places where those primary sources are located.

[http://
www.awesomestories.com/
about-us](http://www.awesomestories.com/about-us)



What's Next?

If you have questions about any of these listings or have an event you would like listed, please contact us.

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| August | 4-5 | 2009 Branch Out , Willmar
www.branchoutmn.org/index.html |
| | 11 | SAMMIE Member Council
Marshall |
| September | | Library Card sign-up Month
http://tinyurl.com/63r5nb |
| | 11-13 | Association for Rural and Small Libraries Conference
Gatlinburg, TN, www.webjunction.org/arsl-conference |
| | 15-Oct 15 | Hispanic Heritage Month
www.infoplease.com/spot/hhm1.html |
| | 21 | SAMMIE Governing Board meeting
6:00 PM SAMMIE Office |
| | 21-26 | Fall for the Book Festival
www.fallforthebook.org |
| | 26-Oct 3 | Banned Books Week
http://tinyurl.com/oc5cgv |
| October | | Children's Magazine Month
http://childmagmonth.org/ |
| | 1-3 | MEMO Fall Conference
Rochester, www.memoweb.org/ |
| | 14-16 | MLA Annual Conference
St Cloud, www.mnlibraryassociation.org/ |
| | 18-24 | Teen Read Week [Teens' Top Ten announced [10/16/09]
http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/teenreading/trw/trw2009/home.cfm |
| | 25 | International School Library Day
http://www.iasl-online.org/ |
| November | 5-21 | American Education Week
http://www.nea.org/grants/19823.htm |
| | 26-27 | Holiday - SAMMIE Closed |
| December | 5 | SAMMIE Governing Board meeting
10:00 AM SAMMIE office |
| | 24-31 | SAMMIE Office Closed |

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September is Library Card Sign-up Month

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October is
Children's Magazine Month

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Renee Dougherty, Stephanie Hall and Nick Prieve received scholarship support from SAMMIE in order to participate in the 2009 Minnesota Library Association Institute for Leadership Excellence (MILE). The topic, "Discover Your Inner Leader" focused participants on learning leadership styles, skills, discovering strengths and setting goals.

For the next year and a half, Renee, Stephanie and Nick will work with their mentors to pursue their leadership goals, participate in MLA activities and eventually plan the 2011 Leadership Institute.

SAMMIE Sponsors MILE Participants



Congratulations and Best Wishes!