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Summer Reading 2003



"Don't let your children sit and watch television or play outside all summer without reading one book, because if you do that, when you start school in the fall their skills have dropped and they have to start all over learning to read."— First Lady Laura Bush

T.V. If kids are entertained by two letters, imagine the fun they'll have with twenty-six.



**Open your child's imagination.
Open a book. ~Author Unknown**



Congratulations!

—to the new DLA Executive Board! And thank you—job well done—to the outgoing Board!



"The new DLA Board is focusing on a Resolution Affirming the Rights of Delaware Library Users to clarify our commitment to the rights of library users and the right to privacy. We are also focusing on by-law changes and updates. We are also working to more closely define our role and relationship with Delmarva Discussions and how we can forge a more mutually beneficial relationship."
—Suzanne D. Smith, President DLA

New Computers in Every Public Library, Other Technologies Help Delaware Bridge Digital Divide—



Governor Minner Announces Every Public Library Computer Will Be State-Of-The-Art By End Of Year!

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**New Computers in Every Public
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*Governor Minner Announces Every Public Library Computer
Will Be State-Of-The-Art By End Of Year*

Dover—Governor Ruth Ann Minner Wednesday, May 28, 2003, announced that all computers in Delaware public libraries will be state-of-the-art by the end of the year.

Gov. Minner said the initiative will make Delaware a leader in allowing all of its citizens free and equal access to the internet.

This spring, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation donated 88 computers to libraries in Kent and Sussex Counties, Wilmington, and Newark that met the Gates Foundation's income and poverty guidelines. On Wednesday, Gov. Minner announced the purchase of 144 additional "Gates Computers" for libraries in Kent and Sussex Counties, and Wilmington under a matching grant program developed by the State Library. The Governor Wednesday also announced a \$100,000 matching grant to New Castle County to support its purchase of replacement computers. Earlier this year, under the leadership of County Executive Tom Gordon, New Castle County began replacing every computer in its library system.

"Libraries have become the bridge over the digital divide—ensuring that all citizens have access to high-speed internet, e-commerce and other services. Yet, too many of our libraries are using obsolete computers," Gov. Minner said. "These purchases and donations—which result from a combination of state, county, local library and charitable resources—will mean that every library computer in Delaware will be state-of-the-art by the end of this year. That is truly remarkable and must make Delaware a leader in the country when it comes to library technology."

"The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation applauds Gov. Ruth Ann Minner and her administration for their commitment to sustaining public access computer programs in libraries. We hope other states will be inspired by this effort," said Craig Arnold, director of the foundation's U.S. Library Program. "Support from foundations, governments and individuals is necessary to help our libraries stay vibrant and remain the information hub of their communities. Delaware can serve as an example for others."

The Gates Computers feature a full suite of multi-lingual productivity tools including word processing, spreadsheet, database, presentation, website design, email, photo editing, and publishing software. The machines also feature educational software tools such as an online updateable encyclopedia and the Magic School Bus learning series.

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Gov. Minner on Wednesday also announced two other advances in Delaware library technology:

- A project to increase the availability of assistive technology services for library users with disabilities. Special computer equipment will be used to magnify text, convert text to Braille, and even convert text and hyperlinks into a computer-generated voice. This demonstration project will help public libraries, library patrons, and caregivers to determine which devices will be most effective in meeting the needs of their communities and their customers.
- The start of a real-time online reference service where students or others can get answers from a Delaware reference librarian. "Answer Online" is currently in its pilot phase and is available seven days a week from 3 to 8 p.m. It can be accessed through the State Library's website at <http://www.lib.de.us>

The three initiatives announced Wednesday are part of the Statewide Library Technology Plan called for by the Governor in 2001 and completed in October 2002. "Taken together, our state and local investments in truly state-of-the-art library computers, our commitment to assistive library technology for those with disabilities, and our efforts to provide online reference services are a giant leap forward in delivering library services to our citizens," Gov. Minner said.

**Governor's Press Conference on Library Technology Initiatives,
Gates Computers, and Library Assistive Technology
Photos courtesy Sherrie Stanley, Information Resources Specialist for LBPH**





Dianne Burk, DDL Technician,
Demonstrating Zoom Tex to
Governor Minner.
Sussex County Librarian,

Margaret Burris
Demonstrating
Optelec Magnifier
to Guests

LBPH Volunteer, Verita Turner,
Demonstrating Galileo Reader to
Gov. Minner and
State Librarian, Annie Norman





Lynn Schneider—LBPH Advisory Council

Annie Norman, State Librarian



"I think there is a world market for maybe 5 computers." - Thomas Watson, chairman of IBM, 1943

"But what . . . is it good for?" - Engineer at the Advanced Computing Systems Division of IBM, 1968, commenting on the microchip



Information Table

Rick Geisenberger, Assistant Secretary of State—Opening Remarks

DLA Conference 2003

Judging from the pictures, DLA 2003 was a success with roughly 150 attendees on Friday and 65 for Jack Gantos on Thursday. DLA offered 15 different workshops and the New Jersey Library Association offered library-related merchandise that was very successful. DLA wishes to express their appreciation for the support of the vendors who attended.

See pictures on pages 7 & 8

DLA Conference 2004

Your conference planning committee is already engaged in the year-long effort for your upcoming 2004 conference.

The members of your planning committee are:

Peg Prouse, DLA Vice President
Janet Shaw, DSLMA Vice President
Rebecca Knight, CRLD Vice President
Melissa Rabey, CSD Vice President
Shelley Stein, PLD President
Lisa Olson, PALS Representative

Please feel free to contact us with your input or to answer your questions or concerns; look for the upcoming date and location for the conference on the Library List. If you haven't signed on, just visit the DLA web site and become one of those in the know

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DLA Membership



Currently there are 273 members. There are 76 members from 2002 who have still not renewed their membership.



My Name is Red, by Turkish novelist Orhan Pamuk, translated from the Turkish by Erdag Gökner is the winner of The International IMPAC Dublin Literary Award 2003. This is the world's most lucrative prize for a single work of fiction. "A work of intense beauty. Opens a window into the reign of Ottoman Sultan Murat III, inviting us to experience the tension between East and West from a breathlessly urgent perspective." [Judges] Other shortlisted titles include:

The Ash Garden by Dennis Bock
Bitter Fruit by Achmat Dangor
The Visit of the Royal Physician by Per Olov Enquist
The Corrections by Jonathan Franzen
The Migrant Painter of Birds by Lidia Jorge
That They May Face the Rising Son by John McGahern
Bel Canto by Ann Patchett

Full details of the award are available at:

<http://www.impactdublinaward.ie>

Adopt-a-Family Launches the Annual

Adopt-A-Student Program: Fill a Backpack for a Delaware Student in Need. Help a less fortunate child start the school year right, complete with backpack and school supplies. This program is administered by Delaware Health and Social Services' Division of State Service Centers. Last year they helped 550 children, but had to turn away more than 200 qualified students. To be matched with a student, **please call by July 31.** In New Castle County (302) 792-9538; Kent County (302) 739-3145; Sussex County (302) 424-2780.



Skipper Purnell, Charlesa Lowell, Elizabeth C. Baxter



A Cheating Presenter??



Legal Presenters!

**DLA Conference
2003**

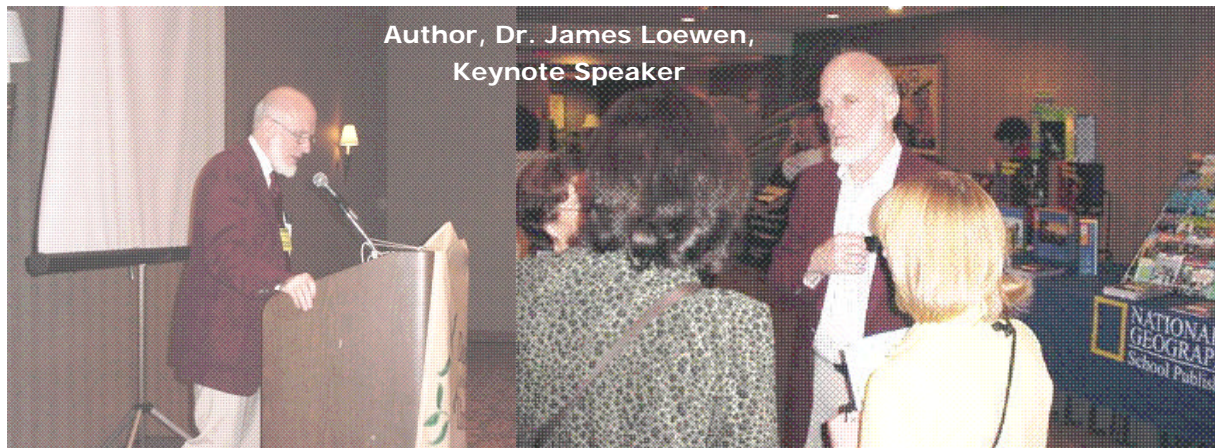
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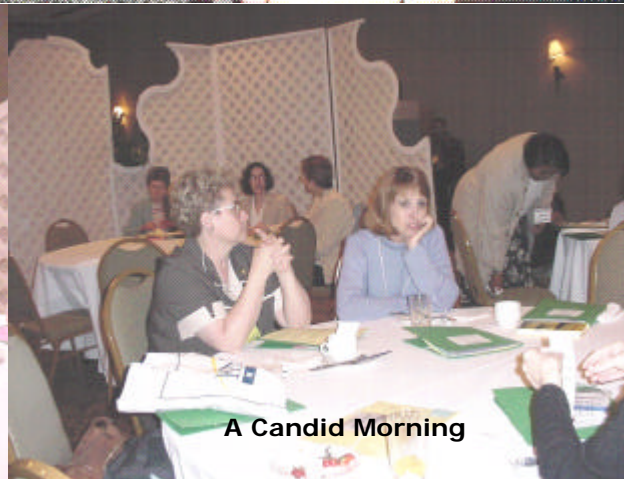
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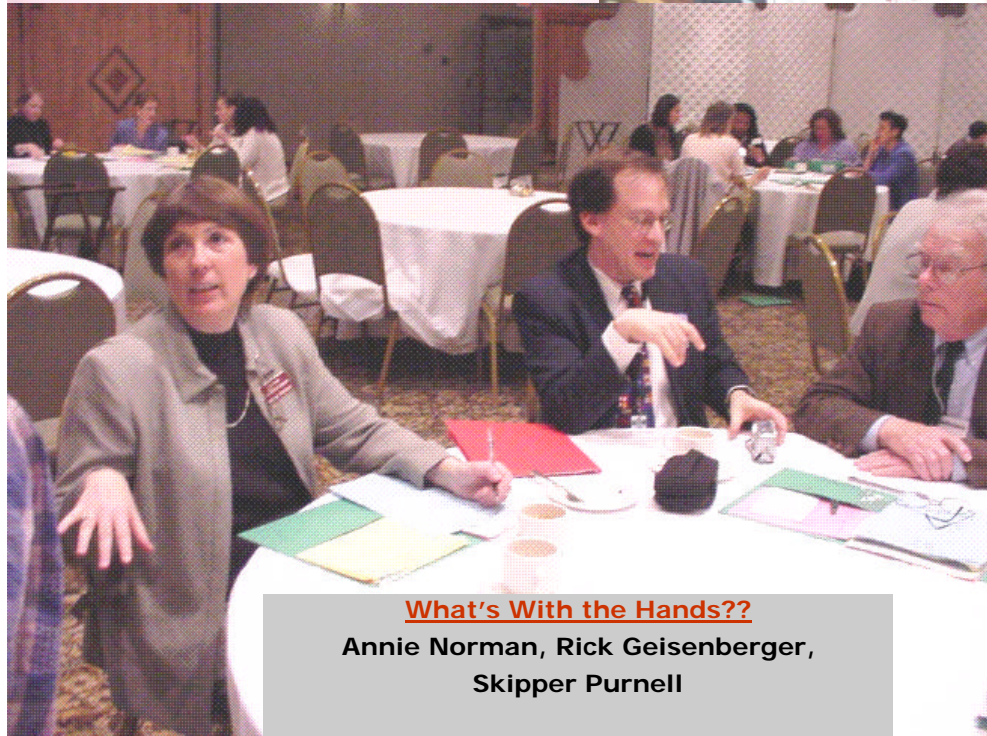
Sonja Brown contemplates her purchases at the NJLA table.



Breakfast with the Widener Folks

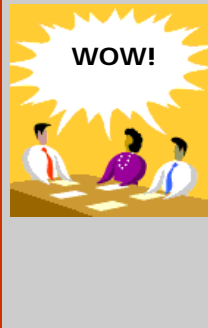


A Candid Morning



What's With the Hands??
**Annie Norman, Rick Geisenberger,
Skipper Purnell**

**DLA
Conference
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**Chapter Councilor
Julie Brewer
Reports -
Resolution Affirming
Rights of Delaware
Library Users**

On June 11, 2003 the DLA Executive Board adopted a resolution affirming the privacy rights of Delaware library users. The text of the resolution is printed on P.10, and a copy of the Library Bill of Rights is printed in the next column.

This action was taken in response to recent federal legislation, particularly the USA Patriot Act, that reduces the standards for federal agents seeking to obtain library records and imposes a gag order on librarians when library records are obtained. Federal agents no longer have to claim criminal intent or narrowly target a specific individual or individuals to obtain a subpoena or search warrant. While Delaware law continues to protect the confidentiality of public library records, the USA Patriot Act unnecessarily diminishes that protection. More information about the impact of the USA Patriot Act and related federal regulations on libraries is available on the ALA web page at: <http://www.ala.org> under "Issues and Advocacy."

DLA is committed to ensuring that libraries are places of free inquiry, education, and life-long learning for Delaware citizens. If you would like more information or want to assist DLA in protecting privacy rights for library users please contact a member of the DLA Intellectual Freedom Committee listed below.

**Julie Brewer
Michele Giglio
Michael Gutierrez
Mary Tise, Chair
Cathy Wojewodzki**

Library Bill of Rights

The American Library Association affirms that all libraries are forums for information and ideas, and that the following basic policies should guide their services.

1. Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.
2. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
3. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.
4. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
5. A person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.
6. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.

Adopted June 18, 1948
Amended February 2, 1961,
and January 23, 1980,
inclusion of "age" reaffirmed January 23, 1996,
by the ALA Council.

Delaware Library Association Resolution Affirming Rights of Delaware Library Users

WHEREAS, the Delaware Library Association provides leadership in the protection of intellectual freedom, the free flow of information, and the privacy of library users; and

WHEREAS, the privacy of public library users and confidentiality of public library records are protected in Delaware law; and

WHEREAS, the USA PATRIOT Act, Homeland Security Act, and related regulations allow records of library users to be under surveillance without their knowledge or consent; and

WHEREAS, the new federal laws and policies disproportionately affect individuals who rely on public access to materials and computers in libraries;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Delaware Library Association opposes use of government power to suppress the free and open exchange of ideas and information; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Delaware Library Association encourages librarians and library advocates to inform library staff, library users, and their communities about the federal legislation and regulations that impinge on user confidentiality and access to information; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Delaware Library Association condemns legislation or government action that threatens the constitutional rights and privacy rights of library users; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Delaware Library Association urges Congress to repeal sections of the USA PATRIOT Act and Homeland Security Act which violate fundamental rights and liberties guaranteed in the United States Constitution, the Bill of Rights and laws of the state of Delaware; and be it

further

RESOLVED, that the Delaware Library Association, while opposing terrorism, affirms and upholds the efforts of librarians and library advocates to defend and support free and open access to information and privacy of library users; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution and the *Library Bill of Rights* be sent to the Governor of Delaware, to the Attorney General of Delaware, to Members of both Houses of the Delaware General Assembly, to Senators Biden and Carper, to Congressman Castle, to the Delaware library community, and to others as appropriate.

Adopted by

Delaware Library Association, Executive Board
June 11, 2003

Just a Couple of Highlights from the ALA Council & ALA-APA Council Meetings Held in Toronto—

PRIVACY: The ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee is developing a Privacy Tool Kit. The first piece of the Tool Kit is a draft document entitled *Guidelines for Developing a Library Privacy Policy*. The document is available at

<http://tinyurl.com/f6ie> and includes a model privacy policy and instructions for conducting a privacy audit. ALA urges all libraries to have privacy policies and procedures in place to protect confidential information from abuse and their organizations from liability and public relations problems.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES: ALA Council adopted a resolution stating that school libraries and librarians are critical to educational success. State library associations are urged to adopt the resolution and distribute it to local school districts. Julie Brewer will send the final text of the resolution to the dla-l list as soon as it is available.

MEDIA OWNERSHIP: The ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee is establishing a subcommittee to study the impact of media concentration on libraries and recommend appropriate actions.

DeIAWARE® UpDate**By Terry Plummer**

Reading in summer is part of the whole vacation experience—like sunsets at the beach, long walks, porch sitting, and lemonade. Reading takes you away even if you can't get away. So it's important to get a "good book."

Are your patrons coming in droves asking you to recommend a "good book?" When your paperback pile is depleted and they're coming back for more, let **NovelList** help you.

The nice thing about **NovelList** is that it does so much of the work for you. Especially if you're a fan of fast-paced legal thrillers and don't know a thing about sci-fi or period romance. **NovelList** does so much of the work.

For example, check the feature articles. Click on *Start* and scroll down to *Feature Articles* under *Read About Popular Titles and Topics*. Now scroll down past the *Section Index* to the *Browsable List of Feature Articles*.

Click on **Beach Reads** by Joyce Saricks or **Beach Thrills** by Michael Gannon, both well-known names in the Reader's Advisory world. As a matter of fact, why not click on the *Print Page* link on the left and make multiple copies of these lists as handouts for library patrons? Then let them search the online catalog and the shelves.

Want to dig deeper? Let **NovelList** do the work. After all, it's summer. Ask your patron for a favorite author, title, or series, click on *Start* or *New Search*, and then enter it into the appropriate search. Click on the **Find Similar Books** button for a whole selection of new titles.

Do you have a patron who likes mysteries set in the 13th century? Try the

Describe a Plot section and bring up several hundred titles. Print out the list and let your customer go.

Better still, do this search in the **Boolean Search** section and when the results come up, click on *Search History* and **Save as an Alert**. The next time **NovelList** adds a title which fits your criteria, it will send you an email. Include your patron's email address, and see what kudos you reap when your patron receives this kind of customized service from your library. It's the way of the future. Actually, it's the way of the present.

NovelList can be as simple or as highly functional as you like. Enter the Learning Center and take the tutorial **Learning NovelList Basics** or **NovelList for the Power User**. In Power User you can learn *How to Construct a Search*, *Wildcards*, the power of *Boolean searching* and more.

Also (in Power User) click on *Personalization* to find step-by-step instructions on setting up your own login and password (this has nothing to do with authentication). Then save *Searches* and *Folders* to help customers who have similar tastes.

By the way, would you like posters, table tents or support materials for **NovelList** or other **Ebsco** databases? Go to:

<http://support.epnet.com>

Click on the logo to get support materials like sample searches and flyers for your patrons. Click on *Request Form* at the top to receive full color posters, table tents and more.

Ah, summer! And **NovelList** makes the livin' easier.

Next month: Features for Teachers—How DeIAWARE® Can Help

**Congratulations Barbara Stites
from Meredith Middle in the
Appoquinimink School District,
DSLMA Library Media Specialist
of the Year!**



NEWS



National Magazine Taps Librarian Expertise with Debut of Online Book Club:

- a Woman's Day/ALA Partnership
<http://www.womansday.com/community>

ALA & Oprah's Book Club 2003: -ALA will again partner with Oprah's Book Club to distribute free book club selections to libraries nationwide. Each library that is an organizational member may receive 2 to 5 copies, depending on budget size. This is the 1st year community college libraries have been able to participate in this membership benefit. To learn more, visit <http://www.oprah.com>.

National Geographic Society: - The Index Manager and Reference Librarian at the Society has made available the citation index containing over 23,000 bibliographic records OF materials published by the Society **FREE!**

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/publications/explore.html>

Delaware Art by Delaware Artists:

The Terry Library is pleased to announce their first gallery exhibit. This exhibit was made possible by the collaborative partnership enjoyed between Delaware Technical & Community College and the Delaware Division of Libraries. This long term loan includes 26 original works of art created by Delaware artists.

Visit the Library's new web site at:

<http://www.dtcc.edu/terry/library/pages/links>

CIPA—On June 23 the Supreme Court ruled that the filtering mandate in the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) is constitutional for public libraries. This decision means that any public library using **e-rate** funds to pay for Internet service provider costs or for internal connections OR using **LSTA** funds for Internet service provider costs or for purchasing PCs will need to comply with CIPA's filtering requirement. The filtering provision of CIPA does not apply to telecommunication costs, including voice or data lines.

On June 26 House Bill 296 was introduced to amend Title 14 of the Delaware Code relating to libraries. This Act requires any library or school that receives funding from the State, County, or any Municipality, including school district computers in the State of Delaware to be equipped with technology protection measures such as filters to prevent access to obscenity, child pornography or things that are otherwise harmful to minors.

As of June 30, it was doubtful that House Bill 296 would come up for a vote. It was assigned to committee and there were no committee meetings scheduled for that day. Rick Geisenberger, Assistant Secretary of State, will be following it. If it does come to the floor, he will request a six-month delay to study the issue. County library heads and system people will be meeting with state people next week to discuss this issue—as well as the federal CIPA ruling.

The full FCC document can be found at

<http://www.ala.org/cipa>

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