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Learning Express Library

Info Submitted by Shari Fisher

Dear LearningExpress Subscriber,

We are pleased to announce that more than fifty (50) new resources have been added to LearningExpress Library since the last product update (January 2016). Here are the highlights:

SAT® and ACT® Test Prep

Twenty-five (25) new resources were added for 2016 SAT® test preparation, including complete, full-length practice tests in a test-simulation mode that helps students become confident with the format, timing, and content of the official exam. Complete practice tests and two (2) writing practice tests were also added for the ACT® test.

New eBooks

The eBook collection includes new eBooks for GED® test prep, time management, communication skills, and Praxis II test prep, plus new editions of *Nursing School Entrance Exams*, *Nursing Assistant/Nurse Aide Exam*, *Praxis: Core Academic Skills for Educators* (5712, 5722, 5732), *ASVAB Core Review*, and *Border Patrol Exam*.

New School Center Resources

High School Math Skills Improvement has grown, with five (5) new practice tests aligned to the Common Core State Standards.

CLEP® Test Practice

Two (2) practice tests for the CLEP® College Mathematics exam have been

updated to match the latest CLEP® test specifications.

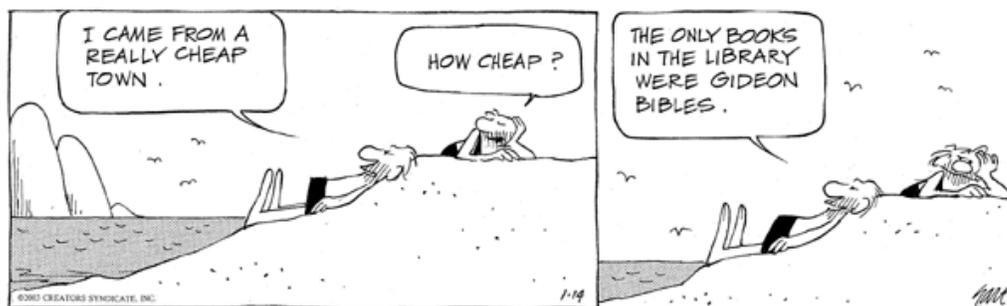
New Career Center Practice Tests

Test prep for military exams increased with the addition of practice tests for the SIFT, ASTB-E: OAR, and ASTB-E: Aviation and Nautical Information tests.

MARC Records

MARC Records are available to help your patrons discover LearningExpress resources. Access them through "Librarian Resources" in your LearningExpress Library site. If you have any questions, please contact Customer Support at support@ebSCO.com.

For a complete list of these additions and other changes, click [Product Update](#)



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Webinar Control Center

Info Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

How to Deliver Great Library Customer Service Workshop—ALA October 13, 2:30pm Eastern Fee

\$60.00—Drawing on 20 years experience as a trainer and coach, Laurie Brown will show you how to create a welcoming, friendly experience for patrons, students, and other library users. Satisfied customers means good vibes, and happy library users are part of a strong library. [Register](#)

How to Create New Revenue Streams for Your Library—Cisco September 12, 2:30pm Central—Ed Rossman's new book *40+ New Revenue Sources for Libraries and Non-profits* is more than a book, it's a treasure map! In this fast-paced, free webinar, the author will be getting right into the key considerations for

methods to generate revenue. He'll then reinforce these by introducing several fast-track methods discussed in his book and will share valuable tips on how to start implementing these techniques immediately to create hundreds of dollars of new money by year's end. [Register](#)

Keep Your Romance Collection Fresh and Exciting—Cisco September 13, 1:00pm—Readers' appetite for romance novels never abates! Join Booklist for an hour-long webinar featuring a rich variety of forthcoming adult romance novels presented by Penguin Random House, HarperCollins, Shadow Mountain, Baker Publishing, and Harlequin. [Register](#)

Creating Sustainable Libraries and Programs—LLAMA September 21, 1:30pm-3:00pm Central **Fee \$59**—This webinar will introduce participants to practical approaches for planning facilities and operations

that are ecologically and economically sustainable, including LEED and alternative standards. It will also suggest ways that library programs can best respond to community interest in climate change; and provide tools for evaluating ecologically sustainable buildings, operations, and programs. [Register](#)

Ebooks Minnesota: Read Local—Minitex October 3, 11, 26 (various times) - Ebooks Minnesota is an online ebook collection for all Minnesotans. The collection covers a wide variety of subjects for readers of all ages, and features content from our state's independent publishers, including some of our best literature and nonfiction. This ebook collection allows for multiple use with no checkout time limit. Attend this brief, 30-minute webinar, to learn more about the collection including access and content. [Register](#)

Supreme Court to Consider Legal Standard Drawn From 'Of Mice and Men'

Article Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

New York Times by Adam Liptak (Released 8/22/2016) - In 2002, the Supreme Court barred the execution of the intellectually disabled. But it gave states a lot of leeway to decide just who was, in the language of the day, "mentally retarded."

Texas took a creative approach, adopting what one judge there later called "the Lennie standard." That sounds like a reference to an august precedent, but it is not. The Lennie in question is Lennie Small, the dim, hulking farmhand in John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men." The Lennie in question is fictional.

Still, Judge Cathy Cochran of the Texas court of Criminal Appeals wrote in 2004 that Lennie should be a legal touchstone.

"Most Texas citizens might agree that Steinbeck's Lennie should, by virtue

of his lack of reasoning ability and adaptive skills, be exempt" from the death penalty, she wrote. "But, does a consensus of Texas citizens agree that all persons who might legitimately qualify for assistance under the social services definition of mental retardation be exempt from an otherwise constitutional penalty?"

Judge Cochran, who later said she had reread "all of Steinbeck" in the 1960s while living above Cannery Row in Monterey, Calif., listed seven factors that could spare someone like Lennie... [Article](#)

OverDrive News

Info Submitted by Jim Weikum

Read and eBook Day—September 16th—What is *Read an eBook Day*? Read an eBook Day is a celebration of modern storytelling. Be a part of the festivities by checking out your favorite eBook from your library. Join the conversation by sharing what you're reading, stories about why you love eBooks and by using the hashtag [#eBookLove](#) on social media. [Website](#)

Registration now open for Digipalooza 2017—August 204, 2017 in Cleveland, Ohio—Digipalooza is OverDrive's International user group conference. With a unique blend of education, networking and fun, this is a can't-miss event for anyone that works with digital media in the library. Whether you are responsible for library collection development, front-line support, electronic resources, marketing, training, or



administrative decisions, everyone can benefit from the [programming](#) and networking at Digipalooza. Activities begin August 2, 2017 with registration opening at 3:00pm and our kickoff event at Punch Bowl Social starting that evening at 6:00pm. The conference wraps up August 4, 2017 at 3:00pm leaving you the weekend to stick around and explore Cleveland or head back home. [Website](#)

Thinking Outside Minnesota

Articles submitted by MaryLei Barclay

Louisiana Flood Victims Worry They Won't Have the Funds to Rebuild—*NPR* by Jesse Hardman (Released 8/18/2016) - Patrick Abadie is the librarian at Baker (LA) High School near Baton Rouge. On August 17, he finally got into the building. Some students helped him pump a foot of water out of the library he's overseen for a decade. Then health inspectors gave their assessment: Get out; it's too toxic. Abadie not only lost the entire book collection: He lost 20 computers, valuable tools at a school where 90% of students qualify for reduced lunches. [Article](#)

Mysterious library raid linked to federal extortion, money laundering probe.



warrants reveal—*New Jersey Advance Media* by Jessica Mazzola (Released 8/17/2016) - The dozens of documents, computers, hard drives, and other materials FBI investigators seized from the Orange Public Library last month were tied to an investigation into theft, fraud, extortion, and the misuse of government funds, according to a search and seizure warrant obtained by NJ Advance Media. [Article](#)

Birmingham Public Library Board Funds Innovative Cool Awards—*Library Journal* by Lisa Peet (Released 8/22/2016) - While many libraries have come up with creative rewards for staff innovation, the Birmingham Public Library (BPL) Innovative Cool Awards do double duty. The monthly award, funded and run by BPL's ten-member Board of Trustees, is an incentive for staff to develop—and pro-

mote—engaging new programs and workshops, and also a way to connect the board with staff. [Article](#)

Florida Parents Push to Remove Popular 'Internet Girls' Series from School Libraries—*NCAC* (Released 8/22/2016) - Parents in a school district near Jacksonville, Florida, are trying to remove two frequently challenged books from Yulee Middle School's library. According to the parents, the book *TTYL* and its sequel *TTFN* are inappropriate for their Middle School children. [Article](#)

Hoax or secret code? Copies of undreadable manuscript to be published—*Fox News* by Megan Gannon (Released 8/25/2016) - Armchair cryptographers, rejoice: A Spanish publisher plans to release replicas of the Voynich Manuscript, a book that no one knows how to read. [Article](#)

NASA Just Opened Its Entire Research Library to the Public

Article Submitted by MaryLei Barclay

NASA—NASA is opening up its research library to the public in the newly launched web database [PubSpace](#)... and it's absolutely free.

NASA Chief Scientist Ellen Stofan believes that this move will benefit fellow scientists and engineers and accelerate innovation. Making our research data easier to access will greatly magnify the impact of our

research," she said. "As scientists and engineers, we work by building upon a foundation laid by others."

From here on out, any NASA-funded research articles in peer-reviewed journals must comply to its new policy. This requires that papers be published and uploaded to the portal within one year of publication so that they are freely accessible to anyone. The only exception is studies that involve patents and material governed by personal privacy, proprietary, or security laws.

"At NASA, we are celebrating this opportunity to extend access to our

extensive portfolio of scientific and technical publications," NASA Deputy Administrator Dava Newman says in a press release. "Through open access and innovation we invite the global community to join us in exploring Earth, air, and space."

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MaryLei's Links That Have No Place To Go

- [Perfect Perfumes for Our Favorite Literary Characters](#)
- [Five Ethical Considerations for Using Virtual reality with Children and Adolescents](#)
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St. Louis County Historical Society Presents:

LUNCH WITH THE HISTORY PEOPLE

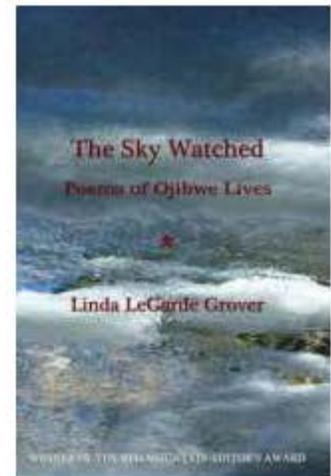


When: Thursday, **September 15, 2016**, from **noon – 1 PM**

Who: **Dr. Linda LeGarde Grover** is a professor of American Indian Studies at the University of Minnesota – Duluth and a member of the Bois Forte Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (Ojibwe). She is a regular columnist for the *Duluth Budgeteer News* and a published researcher and writer. *The Dance Boots*, her short fiction collection, received the Flannery O'Connor Award and the Janet Heidinger Kafka prize. Her novel *The Road Back to Sweetgrass* won the Wordcraft Circle of Native Writers and Storytellers 2015 fiction award and

the Red Mountain Editor's Award.

What: Linda's presentation "The Sky Watched: Ojibwe Historical Narratives of Northeastern Minnesota" is based on her newest book of poetry entitled *The Sky Watched: Poems of Ojibwe Lives*, winner of the Red Mountain Editor's Award. Her lecture connects these oral history poems with paintings and photographs of the local Ojibwe. It also ties into the Lake Superior Ojibwe Gallery, including the Eastman Johnson collection. Guests will be invited to tour the Ojibwe Gallery after the presentation.



Where: The event will be held in the **Ruth Maney Room** on the first floor of the St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (the Depot), at 506 West Michigan Street, Duluth, Minnesota.

There will be limited theater-style seating (no tables), but feel free to bring your own bag lunch. Seating is first-come, first-served (no reservations). **Admittance to this event is free to the public.** ARCO coffee is provided.

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LIBRARY CRAFTS



TONY POTTER/HIBBING DAILY TRIBUNE

Crafty and creative Sixth grader Jilein Parks decorates a notebook with pipe cleaners during a back to school craft for teens Thursday at Hibbing Public Library.

New search effort targets microplastics in Lake Superior

JOHN MYERS
FORUM NEWS SERVICE

DULUTH — A team of Northland researchers and volunteers will search the open water and beaches of Lake Superior today looking for tiny microplastic pollution, part of a Great Lakes-wide effort by scientists and activists.

It's being billed as the largest single-day effort ever to document the presence of microplastics, tiny pieces of pollution originating from personal care and other consumer products, even clothing and carpeting.

All-female groups of scientists from each Great Lake will be conducting the research

along with citizen volunteers.

Past research found the tiny plastic beads across the lakes, leading to action by state legislatures and the U.S. Congress to pass laws that will eventually ban plastic beads from consumer products like facial scrubs and shampoos.

Now, researchers and activists want to see what other types of tiny plastics might be polluting the lakes and moving into the food chain from small organisms up to the fish that people eat.

It's also suspected that the tiny plastic pollution pieces may help carry toxic chemicals into the ecosystem

and help transfer the toxins to fish and on to people.

Professor Lorena Rios Mendoza, a chemist at the University of Wisconsin-Superior and among the first scientists to document the microplastics problem in the Great Lakes, will lead a team of researchers on Lake Superior that includes Erika Washburn, director of the Lake Superior National Estuarine Research Reserve, and professor Shawna Weaver of the College of St. Scholastica. Other citizen volunteers in Duluth and Superior will take shoreline samples of water and sediment to check for plastics.

Romance, adventure trilogy continues

Bovey author to release book Aug. 23

TONY POTTER
HIBBING DAILY TRIBUNE

HIBBING — The second book of a trilogy focusing on Minnesota's lumber boom in the late 1800s will soon be available in bookstores and online.

Bovey Author Margo Hansen's historical fiction "Only Beloved" is scheduled to be released this Tuesday, Aug. 23. It's the second book of the "Tall Timber Trilogy."

"Expect a few cliff hangers, some humor and maybe some sympathy for a family who has to make a very difficult decision," she said.

The sequel to "Greatly Beloved," "Only Beloved" is about Delaney Dunn and how she becomes reacquainted with a boy from her childhood, Ben Blackmore. The wealthy Blackmores come to Grand Rapids to invest in the logging industry, and soon after Ben's younger brother is kidnapped. Delaney and her younger brother also are missing and it's up to Delaney's father, Ben and the town sheriff to find out who did this and why.

"I'm in Northern Minnesota and logging is all around us, so it was a natural setting for this story," Hansen said. "Also, I love history."

While researching for the book, she visited several places in Grand Rapids including the Forest History Center, the Itasca Historical Society and the Gilbert Mansion.

"All were great fodder for the imagination," she said. "I enjoyed researching the logging industry and the time period of 1896 where 'Only Beloved' is set. It has been a delight to work on."

The "Tall Timber Trilogy" is Hansen's second book series. She's also the author of "A Newly Weds Series," which

Book signing times/locations

Bovey Author Margo Hansen will be signing copies of her new book "Only Beloved" at the following locations:

- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, at The Village Bookstore in Grand Rapids
- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, at Inspirations Christian Bookstore in Grand Rapids
- 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, at The Village Inn Restaurant in Virginia

contains five books.

"I would say this book has a similar tone to other books I have written," she said of "Only Beloved." "My stories are Christian fiction/historical romance. I like to add some mystery, some twists, definitely some romance, but most of all a message, which is that salvation is through Jesus Christ's sacrifice for our sins on the cross. I include that Gospel in every story. It is my motivation."

Hansen grew up in Hoyt Lakes and Aurora, graduating from Aurora-Hoyt Lakes High School. She's been writing for about 20 years, noting she scored highly in writing on an aptitude test in high school.

"I laughed at that because at that time I didn't care much for writing, especially for school writing assignments," she said. "I was an avid reader. One day I was reading a book and I was disappointed in the ending. I found myself rewriting the book in my mind. Remembering that I was supposed to have an aptitude for it, I decided to actually try writing

a book. I sat down with paper and pencil and wrote my first book."

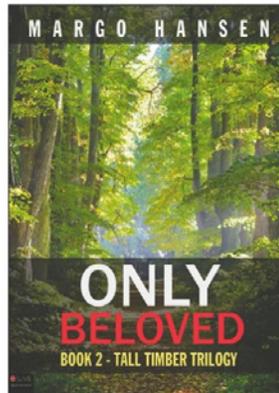
After Hansen began writing, she just couldn't stop.

"Once a storyline developed in my mind, I wanted to keep on with it," she said. "I have to say that it was also my children, who were young teenagers at the time, who

encouraged me to keep writing because they wanted more. They encouraged me then and continue to encourage me to keep writing. Another reason is the response I have gotten from my readers."

Like all of Hansen's books, "Only Beloved," will be available at The Village Inn Restaurant in Virginia, and The Village Bookstore and Inspirations Christian Bookstore, both in Grand Rapids. It will also be available by emailing Hansen at margo@margohansen.com or by visiting her website www.margohansen.com or her publisher's website www.tatepublishing.com.

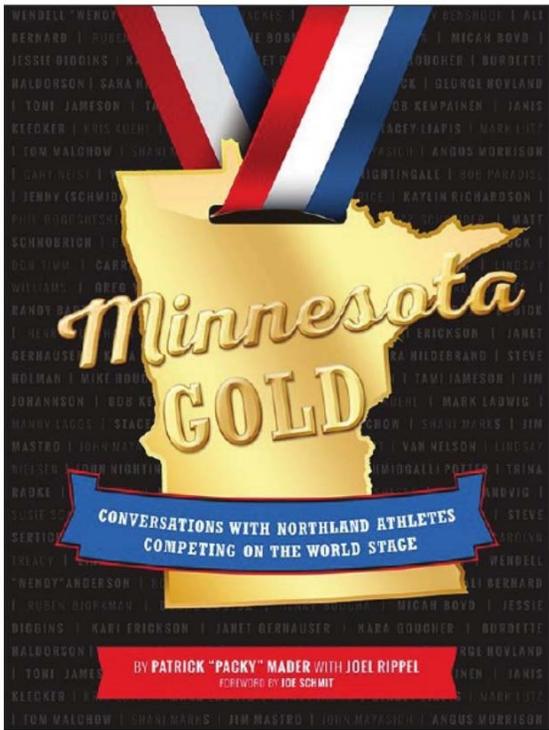
The final book of the "Tall Timber Trilogy" is expected to be released before Christmas.



SPORTS

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MDN Sports Editor Jim Romsaas (@jimrom2012) can be followed live on Twitter each night for in-game updates and area scores.



SUBMITTED

“Minnesota Gold” author Patrick Mader will be speaking at the Virginia Public Library at 10:30 a.m. Thursday.

Schneider, Sertich, Mayasich featured in Olympics book

‘Minnesota Gold’ locally presented Thursday, Friday

JIM ROMSAAS
SPORTS EDITOR

VIRGINIA — Little did Patrick Mader know that a trip through the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness would turn into inspiration for his new book “Minnesota Gold: Conversations with Northland Athletes Competing on the World Stage.”

The Northfield, Minn., man was canoeing from east to west through the BWCAW and wondered if any Minnesotans were in the Olympics in that

sport.

“We have had one person,” Mader, 62, said of Angus Morrison, who turned out to be a three-time Olympian.

From there, Mader wondered if the concept had legs to become a book.

Turns out it would become a “full-fledged book” after Mader discovered there was more than 300 living Olympians in the state.

The 57 Olympians documented in “Minnesota

GOLD

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Gold” include such local greats as Eveleth hockey sensation John Mayasich (1956 and 1960), hockey player Steve Sertich of Virginia (1976) and 1980 Miracle on Ice hockey player Buzz Schneider of Babbitt.

The book and the local Olympians will be highlighted Thursday and Friday as Mader presents “Minnesota Gold” at several Iron Range libraries.

Besides their athletic abilities, the area’s Olympians had one thing in common. He said they were humble and modest and had a certain “pride of being from the Range.”

Sertich spoke to Mader of how the community built an outdoor hockey rink in Virginia in the 1960s so he and the other kids “had a place

to play.”
“All of them had big families,” Mader said, and hockey was “a cheap, healthy sport for the kids.”

At the same time their parents didn’t have to worry about them being safe back then because they were always at the rink playing, he added.

Mader was fascinated by just how much of an athlete Mayasich was in high school. In addition to being the star hockey center, he pitched and played infield for the baseball team.

The team’s tennis coach also asked if Mayasich could play for him if he didn’t have baseball. Mader said that worked out pretty well, as Mayasich went to state in doubles with a partner.

The next year, he was asked to join the track team to do high jump. He

won the region, beating returning champion Gino Cappelletti (born in Keewatin) along the way.

Mayasich went on to play for Doc Romnes at the University of Minnesota his first year and the legendary John Mariucci of Eveleth the rest of his college career. Mayasich also raved about his teammates Willard Ikola and John Matcheffs, both of Eveleth, the author added.

“It’s quite the storied history that these Iron Range towns have had,” said Mader.

Schneider’s overall athletic ability stood out, as well.

Mader said he attended the University of Minnesota because they let him play baseball at the Division I level.

However, after one year of that, he dedicated himself to hockey.

search and writing the book, Mader found all of the athletes to be very persevering and physically and mentally tough.

“They were an impressive collection of people.”

Mader’s presentations are as follows:

THURSDAY

- 10:30 a.m., Virginia Public Library.
- 1 p.m., Mountain Iron Public Library.
- 3:30 p.m., Gilbert Public Library.
- 6 p.m., Babbitt Public Library.

FRIDAY

- 10:30 a.m., Aurora Public Library.
- 1 p.m., Eveleth Public Library.

The coffee table book is available at independent book stores, Barnes and Noble and on Amazon.com and patrickmader.com.

SEE GOLD, B2

Learn to Draw Thing 1 and Thing 2

